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⑤④ Dibenz [b,e] oxepin derivative and antiallergic and antiinflammatory agent.

⑤⑦ Novel dibenz[b,e]oxepin derivatives are employed in the treatment and control of allergic conditions such as allergic asthma and also employed in the treatment of inflammation.

## DIBENZ[b,e]OXEPIN DERIVATIVE AND ANTIALLERGIC AND ANTIINFLAMMATORY AGENT

Background of the Invention

Heretofore, it has been known that 11-unsubstituted, 11-hydroxy or 11-oxodibenz[b,e]oxepin derivative is used for antiinflammatory agents [J. Med. Chem., 21, 633 -639 (1978)].

Further, it is known that dibenz[b,e]oxepin derivative wherein substituents Ra and Rb at 11-position have the following definitions, is employed in the treatment and control of allergic conditions (USP 4,282,365).

Ra : H, OH, lower alkoxy, lower alkylthio, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, arylthio, NH<sub>2</sub>, NHCHO or imidazolyl;

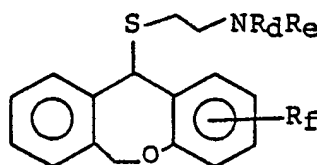
10 Rb : H or lower alkyl;

or Ra and Rb taken together are = O, = CH-Rc wherein Rc is H or aryl.

Furthermore, it is known that 11-(4-methylpiperazino) dibenz[b,e]oxepin derivative has an antiasthmatic activity (USP 4,396,550, USP 4,465,835, EP-A-3856).

It is also known that dibenz[b,e]oxepin derivative having the following formula:

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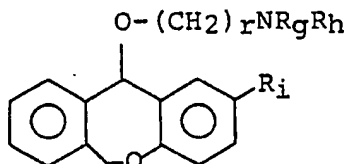
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wherein Rd and Re are lower alkyl and Rf is lower alkyl or halogen, has an antiasthmatic activity (EP-A-85870).

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Dibenz[b,e]oxepin derivative having an antiallergic activity and having the following structural formula:

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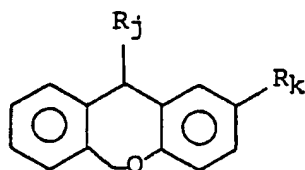


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wherein Rg and Rh are alkyl, r is 2 or 3 and Ri is alkyl or halogen is known (JP-A-227879/84).

Dibenz[b,e]oxepin derivative having an antiallergic activity and having the following structural formula:

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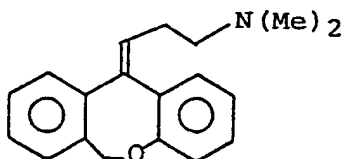


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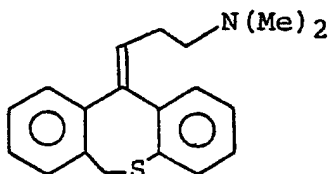
wherein Rj is 4-alkylpiperazino, 3-quinuclidylamino or -Xa-(CH<sub>2</sub>)s-NRlRm wherein Xa is -NH-, -S- or -O-, s is 2 or 3 and Rl and Rm are alkyl, and Rk is CN, 5-tetrazolyl, CONH<sub>2</sub> or CO<sub>2</sub>Rn wherein Rn is H, alkyl or 1-(ethoxycarbonyloxy)ethyl is known (EP-A-130555).

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Doxepin having an antidepressant activity and having the following structural formula is known [Drugs, 13, 161 (1977)].



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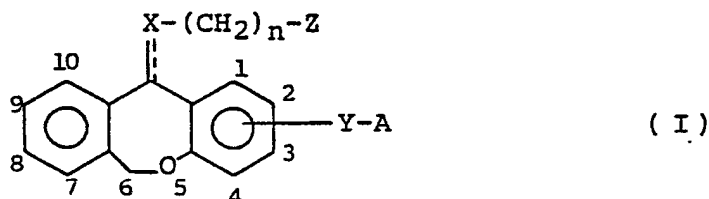


As the compound having both an antiallergic activity and an antiinflammatory activity, steroids are known.

It is always desired that a novel compound having an antiallergic activity or an antiinflammatory activity be developed.

#### Summary of the Invention

The present invention relates to a dibenz[b,e]oxepin derivative represented by the formula (I):



wherein A represents a hydroxymethyl, a lower alkoxyethyl, a triphenylmethyloxymethyl, a lower alkanoyloxymethyl, a lower alkanoyl, a carboxy, a lower alkoxy carbonyl, a triphenylmethyloxycarbonyl, -CONR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>2</sub> (wherein R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are the same or different and represent hydrogen atom or lower alkyl) 4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl group or -CONHOH; Y represents -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, -CHR<sub>3</sub>-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- or -CR<sub>4</sub>=CR<sub>5</sub>-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- which is substituent at 2-or 3-position of the mother nucleus (wherein R<sub>3</sub> represents a lower alkyl, R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub> are the same or different and represent a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl, m is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, and the left side of the group of Y mentioned above is bound to benzen nucleus); X represents =N-, =CH- or -CH<sub>2</sub>-; n is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4; Z represents 4-methylpiperazino, 4-methylhomopiperazino, piperidino, pyrrolidino, thiomorpholino, morpholino, or -NR<sub>6</sub>R<sub>7</sub> (wherein R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are the same or different and represent a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl); and ----- means a single bond or double bond [hereinafter referred to as Compound (I) and Compounds with other formula numbers are hereinafter likewise referred to], and a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof. The present invention further pertains to a pharmaceutical composition containing an effective amount of Compound (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as an active ingredient, and a carrier or an excipient.

The present Compound (I) is useful for treatment of allergic conditions and inflammation.

Detailed Description of the Invention

In the definition of each group of formula (I), the lower alkyl group includes straight or branched chain alkyl groups having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, for example, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, iso-propyl, n-butyl, etc. In the definition of the group A, lower alkyl moiety of lower alkoxyethyl group and lower alkoxyethyl group has the same meaning as previously defined.

The lower alkoxyethyl group includes methoxyethyl, ethoxyethyl, n-propoxyethyl, isopropoxy, etc. and the lower alkoxyethyl group includes methoxyethyl, ethoxyethyl, etc.

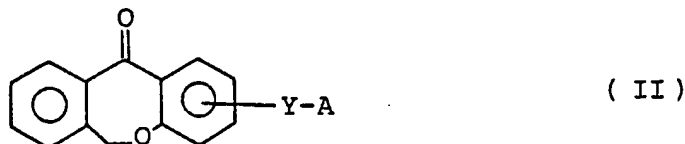
In the definition of the group A, the lower alkyl moiety of lower alkanoyl group and lower alkanoyloxyethyl group has the same meaning as previously defined.

The lower alkanoyl group includes formyl, acetyl, etc. and the lower alkanoyloxyethyl group includes formyloxyethyl, acetyloxyethyl, etc.

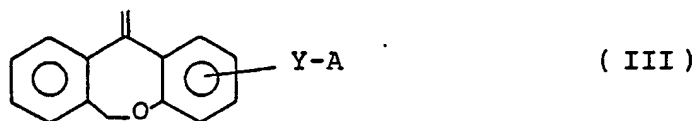
The pharmaceutically acceptable salt of Compound (I) includes pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt, metal salt, ammonium salt, organic amine addition salt, amino acid addition salt, etc.

The pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of Compound (I) includes inorganic acid salts such as hydrochloride, sulfate, phosphate, etc., and organic acid salts such as acetate, maleate, fumarate, tartrate, citrate, etc. The pharmaceutically acceptable metal salt includes alkali metal salts such as sodium salt, potassium salt, etc., alkaline earth metal salts such as magnesium salt, calcium salt, etc., and aluminum salt, zinc salt, etc. The pharmaceutically acceptable organic amine addition salt includes addition salt of morpholine and piperidine and the pharmaceutically acceptable amino acid addition salt includes addition salt of lysine, glycine, phenylalanine, etc.

Compound (I) is prepared by using a compound represented by the formula (II):



wherein Y and A have the same meanings as previously defined or a compound represented by the formula (III):



wherein Y and A have the same meanings as previously defined as the starting compound. Compound (II) is disclosed in J. Med. Chem., 19, 941 (1976), *ibid.*, 20, 1499 (1977) and JP-A-21679/83.

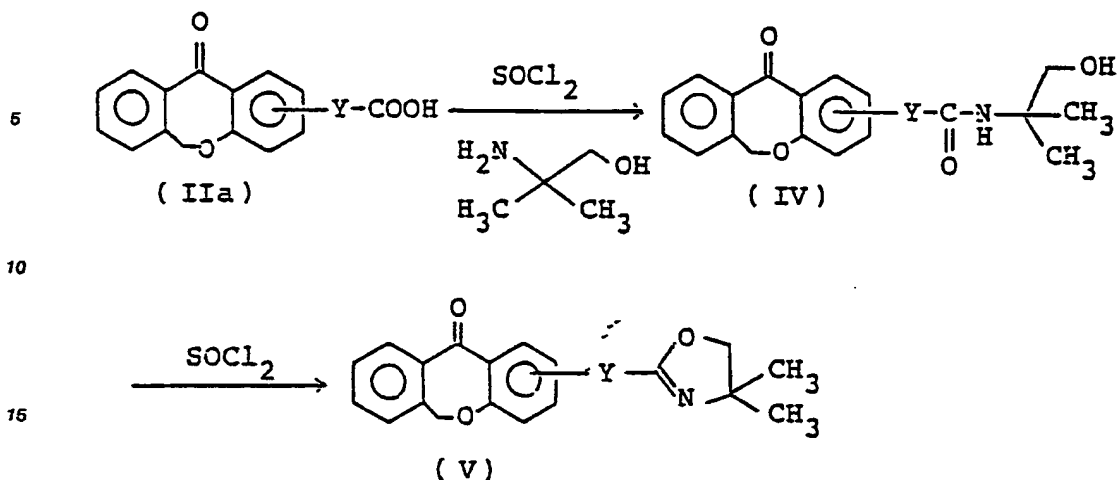
Compound (III) wherein -Y-A is -COOH is disclosed in JP-A-21679/83 and the other Compounds (III) can be prepared according to the method described in the publication though they do not occur in the publication.

The process for preparing Compound (I) is explained, depending on the kind of the group X.

Process A

[Synthesis of Compound (I) wherein X is =CH-(Part I)]

The carboxy group of Compound (IIa) is protected according to the following reaction scheme.

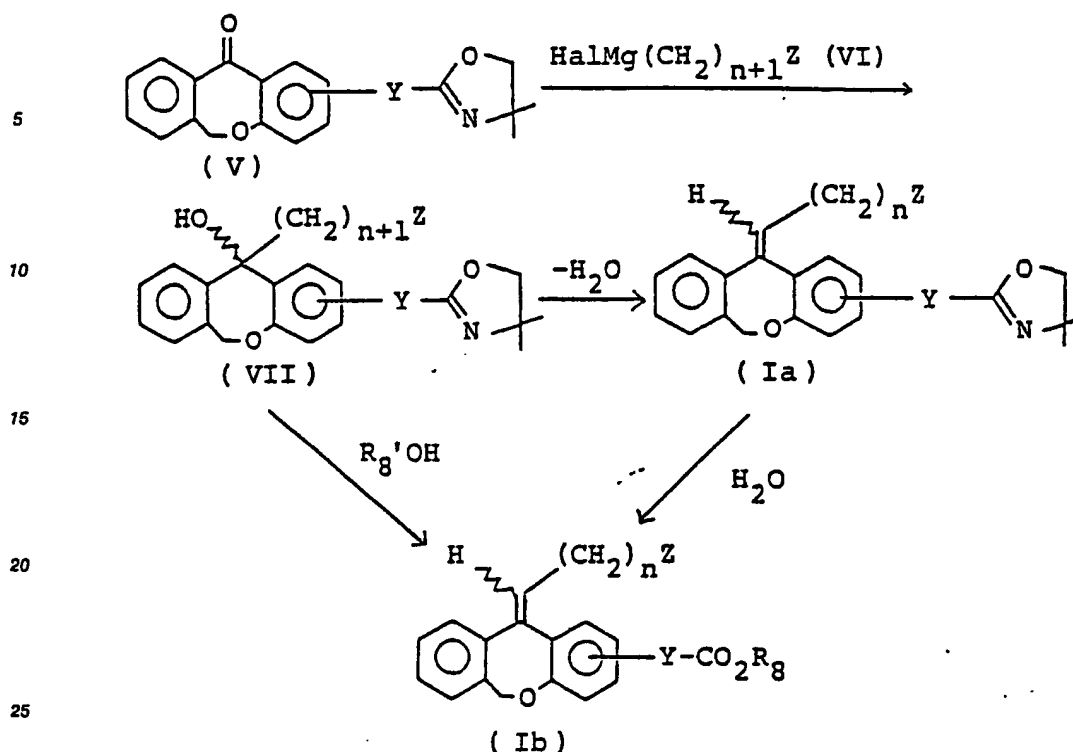


In the formulae, Y has the same meaning as previously defined, and Compound (IIa) is included in Compound (II) (compounds with an alphabet suffix following formula number are likewise included in compounds with common formula no.).

Compound (IIa) is reacted with 1 to 5 equivalents of thionyl chloride and 1 to 5 equivalents of 2-amino-2-methyl-1-propanol on the basis of Compound (IIa) in an inert solvent such as methylene chloride, if necessary in the presence of a base such as triethylamine at a temperature of from 0°C to room temperature for 1 -24 hours to form Compound (IV). Compound (IV) can also be obtained by reacting Compound (IIa) with thionyl chloride in advance and then with 2-amino-2-methyl-1-propanol.

Compound (IV) is reacted with 1 -5 equivalents of thionyl chloride in an inert solvent such as methylene chloride, toluene and benzene at a temperature of from 0°C to room temperature for 1 -24 hours to form Compound (V).

Compounds (Ia) and (Ib) can be prepared from Compound (V) according to the following reaction - scheme.



In the formulae, Y, Z, and n have the same meanings as previously defined,  $R_8$  is hydrogen or a lower alkyl group,  $R_8'$  is a lower alkyl group and Hal is halogen.

As used herein, the term lower alkyl has the same meaning as that of lower alkyl in each group of formula (I). Halogen includes chlorine, bromine and iodine.

Compound (V) is reacted with 1-5 equivalents of Compound (VI) in an inert solvent such as tetrahydrofuran and diethyl ether under atmosphere of an inert gas such as nitrogen and argon to form Compound (VII). The reaction is carried out at a temperature of from 0°C to room temperature and is usually completed in 1-24 hours.

Compound (VII) is reacted with 1-5 equivalents of thionyl chloride or phosphoryl chloride in an inert solvent such as methylene chloride in the presence of a base such as pyridine to form Compound (Ia). The reaction is carried out at a temperature of from 0°C to room temperature and is completed in 1-24 hours.

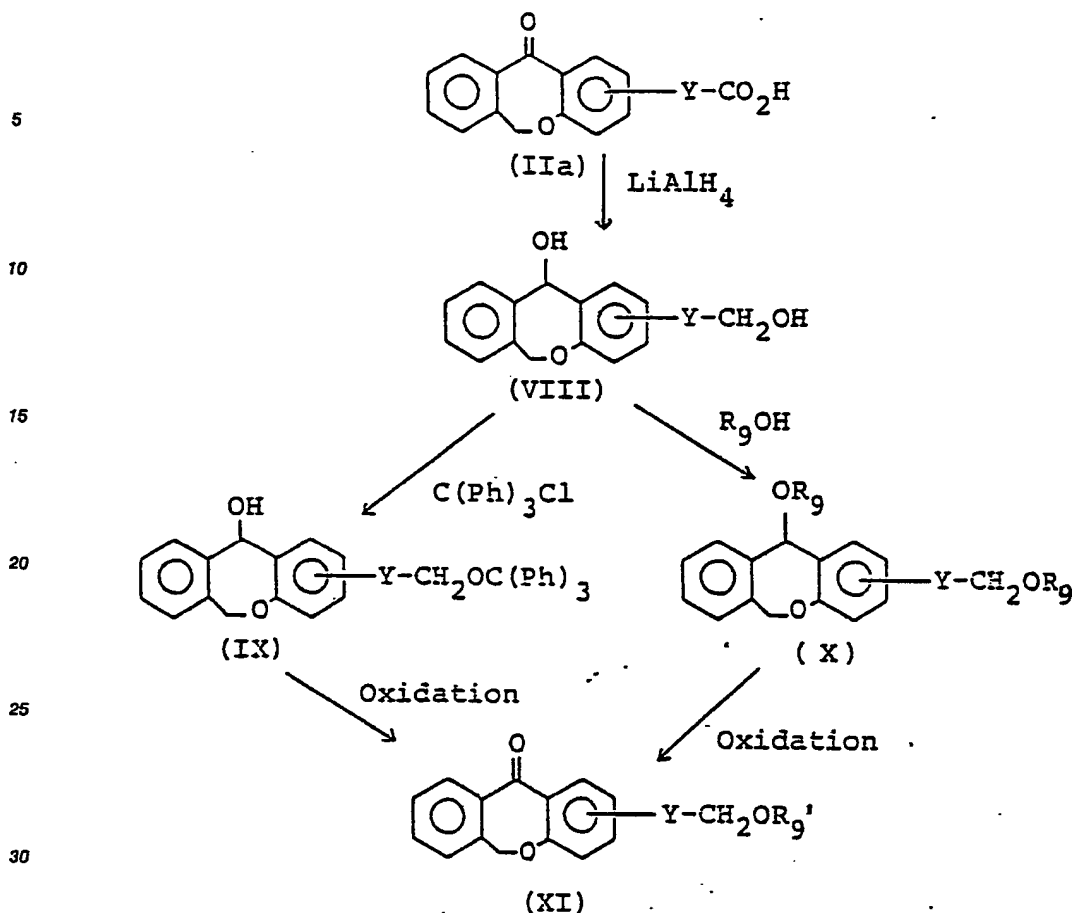
Compound (Ia) is incubated in an alcohol containing water, such as aqueous methanol solution, in the presence of an appropriate acidic catalyst such as p-toluenesulfonic acid at a temperature of from room temperature to the boiling point of the solvent to form Compound (Ib) wherein  $R_8$  is H. The reaction is completed in 1-24 hours.

Compound (VII) is incubated in an alcohol of  $R_8'OH$  in the presence of an appropriate acidic catalyst such as p-toluenesulfonic acid at a temperature of from room temperature to the boiling point of the solvent to form Compound (Ib) wherein  $R_8$  is a lower alkyl. The reaction is completed in 1-24 hours.

### Process B

[Synthesis of Compound (I) wherein X is =CH-(Part 2)]

The carboxy group of a compound represented by the formula (IIa) can be converted to a lower alkoxyethyl group or a triethoxymethyl group according to the following reaction scheme.



In the formulae, Y has the same meaning as previously defined,  $R_9$  is a lower alkyl group and  $R_9'$  is a trityl group or a lower alkyl group. The term lower alkyl has the same meaning as that of lower alkyl in each group in formula (I).

Compound (IIa) is reduced with 1-5 equivalents of lithium aluminium hydride in tetrahydrofuran at a temperature of from  $0^\circ C$  to room temperature for 1-24 hours to form Compound (VIII).

Compound (VIII) is reacted with 1-5 equivalents of trityl chloride in pyridine at a temperature of from room temperature to  $100^\circ C$  for 1-24 hours to form Compound (IX).

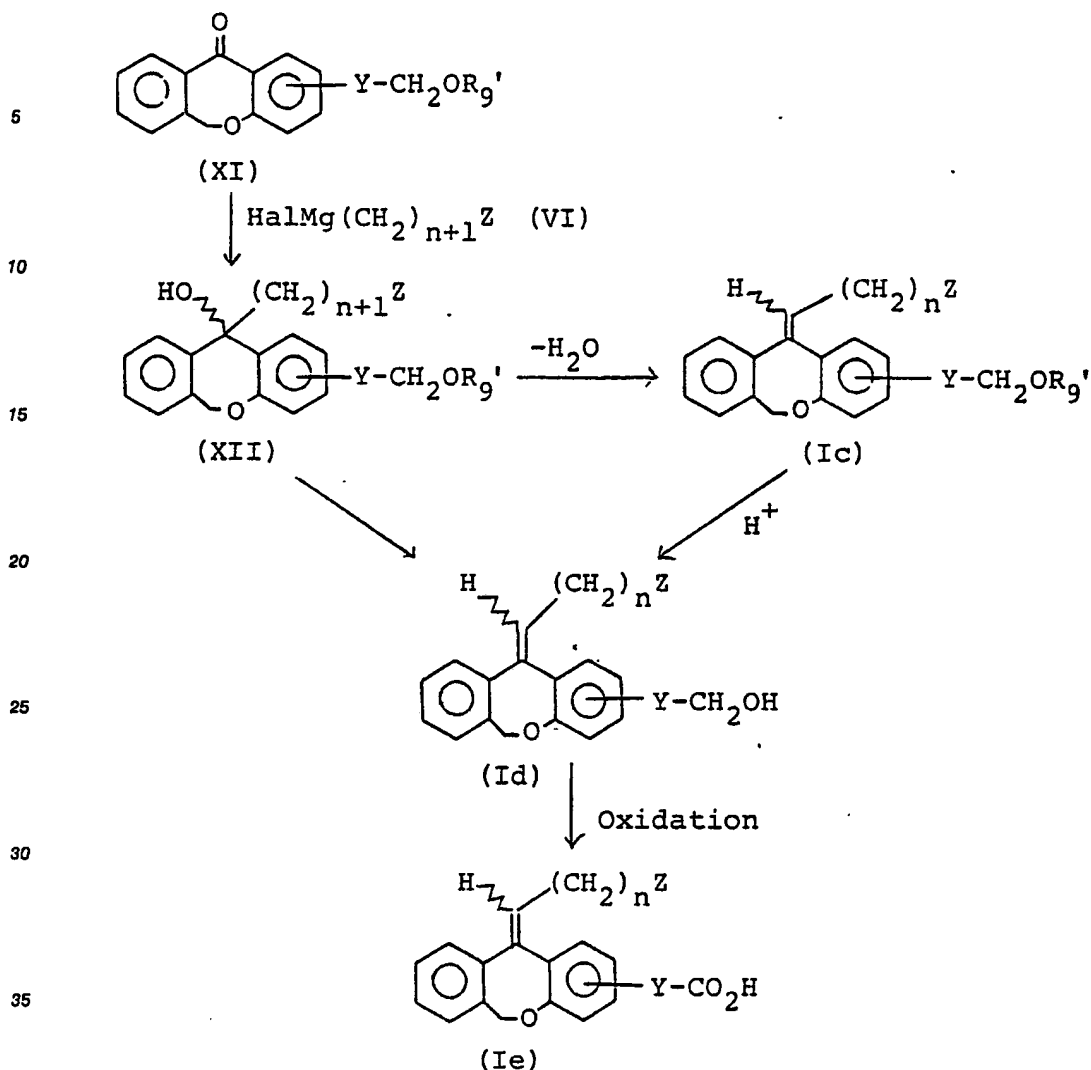
Compound (IX) is oxidized with 1-5 equivalents of an appropriate oxidizing agent such as potassium permanganate and pyridinium chlorochromate in an inert solvent such as methylene chloride and acetone to form Compound (XI) wherein  $R_9$  is trityl. The reaction is carried out at a temperature of from  $0^\circ C$  to the boiling point of the solvent and is completed in 1-24 hours.

Compound (VIII) is incubated in an alcohol of  $R_9OH$  in the presence of an appropriate acidic catalyst such as sulfuric acid at a temperature of from room temperature to the boiling point of the solvent to form Compound (X). The reaction is usually completed in 1-24 hours.

Compound (X) is oxidized with 1-5 equivalents of an appropriate oxidizing agent such as Jones reagent in an inert solvent such as acetone to form Compound (XI) wherein  $R_9'$  is a lower-alkyl. The reaction is carried out at a temperature of from  $0^\circ C$  to the boiling point of the solvent and is usually completed in 1-24 hours.

The compounds represented by the formulae (Ic) and (Id) and if desired, the compound represented by the formula (Ie) can be synthesized from Compound (XI) according to the following reaction scheme.





In the formulae, Y, Z, R<sub>9</sub>', n and Hal have the same meanings as previously defined.

Compound (XI) is reacted with Compound (VI) which is Grignard reagent according to the same manner as in the reaction step from Compound (V) to Compound (VII) in Process A to form Compound (XII).

Compound (XII) is subjected to reaction according to the same manner as in the reaction step from Compound (VII) to Compound (Ia) in Process A to form Compound (Ic).

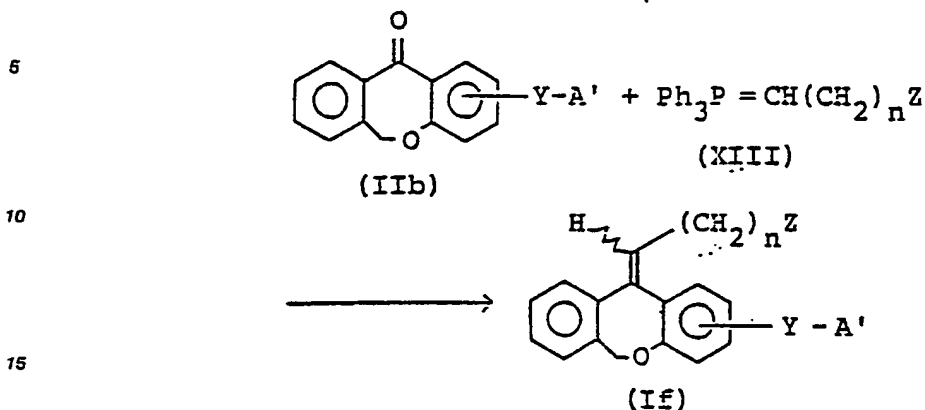
Compound (Ic) is incubated in a solvent containing water such as aqueous dioxane in the presence of an appropriate acidic catalyst such as p-toluenesulfonic acid at a temperature of from room temperature to the boiling point of the solvent to form Compound (Id). The reaction is usually completed in 1-24 hours.

Compound (Id) can also be obtained in one step by incubating Compound (XII) in a solvent containing water such as aqueous dioxane in the presence of an appropriate acidic catalyst such as sulfonic acid at a temperature of from room temperature to the boiling point of the solvent. The reaction is usually completed in 1-24 hours.

If desired, Compound (Id) is oxidized with 1-5 equivalents of an appropriate oxidizing agent such as Jones reagent in an inert solvent such as acetone to form Compound (Ie). The reaction is carried out at a temperature of from 0°C to the boiling point of the solvent and is usually completed in 1-24 hours.

### Process C

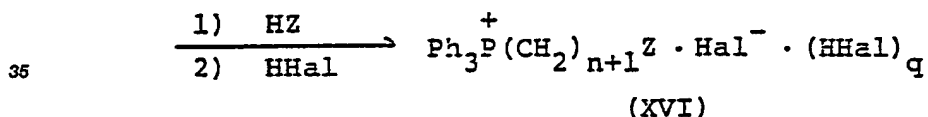
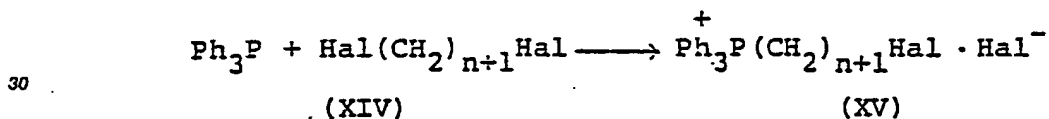
[Synthesis of Compound (I) wherein X is =CH-(Part 3)].



20 In the formulae, Y, Z, and n have the same meanings as previously defined. A' represents the groups falling within the definition of A but lower alkanoyl group.

Compound (IIb) is reacted with 1-5 equivalents of Compound (XIII) in an inert solvent such as tetrahydrofuran under atmosphere of an inert gas such as nitrogen and argon at a temperature of from 0°C to room temperature for 1-24 hours to form Compound (If).

25 Compound (XIII) which is ylide, can be prepared according to the method described in C.A. 63 16366a - (1965).



40 In the formulae, Hal, n and Z have the same meanings as previously defined and q is 1 or 2.

Compound (XIV) is reacted with an equivalent of triphenylphosphine in toluene at reflux of the solvent for 1-24 hours to form Compound (XV).

45 Compound (XV) is reacted with 1-5 equivalents of HZ in ethanol at reflux of the solvent for 1-24 hours and excess HZ is distilled away under reduced pressure. After the addition of 1-5 equivalents of HHal on the basis of Compound (XV), the mixture is incubated at a temperature of from 0°C to the boiling point of the solvent for 1-24 hours to form Compound (XVI) which is Wittig reagent.

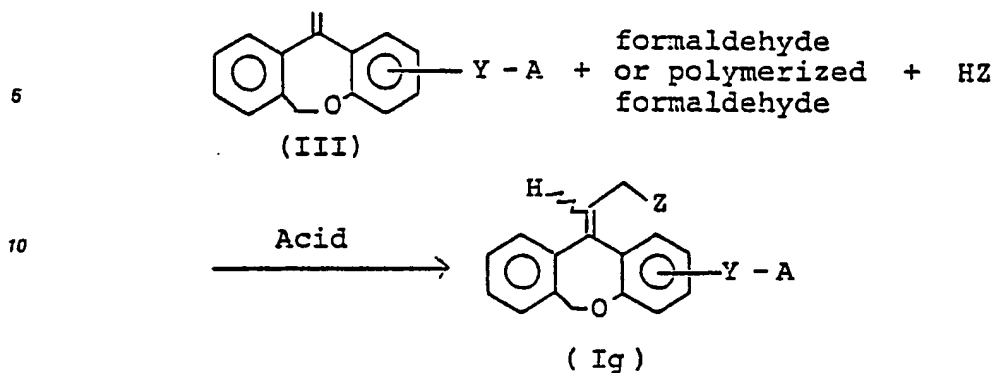
Compound (XVI) is treated with 1-2 equivalents of an appropriate base such as n-butyl lithium in an inert solvent such as tetrahydrofuran under atmosphere of an inert gas such as nitrogen and argon to form ylide (XIII). The reaction is carried out at -78°C ~ room temperature and is usually completed in 1-24 hours.

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#### Process D

[Synthesis of Compound (I) wherein X is =CH-(Part 4)]

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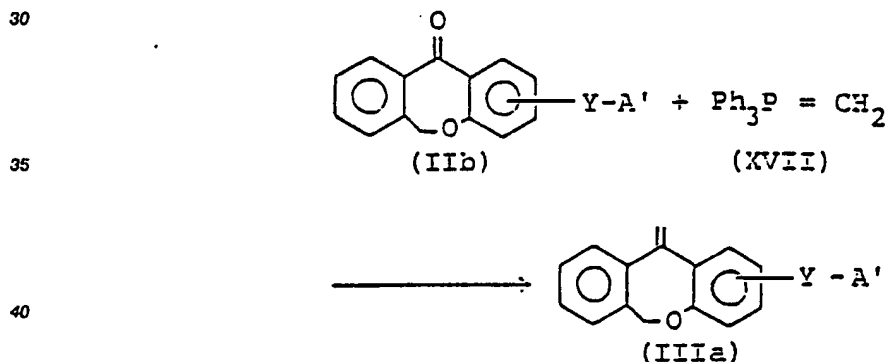
15 In the formulae, Y, Z and A have the same meanings as previously defined.

The process is known as Prince reaction [New Experimental Chemical Course (Maruzen), Vol. 14, Synthesis and Reaction of Organic Compound III, page 1375 (1977)].

20 Compound (III), 1 to 5 equivalents of formaldehyde and 1 to 5 equivalents of HZ are subjected to reaction in an inert solvent such as tetrachloroethane in the presence of an acid or reaction in an acid as such serving as a solvent under atmosphere of an inert gas such as nitrogen and argon to yield Compound (Ig).

25 The formaldehyde or polymerized formaldehyde includes p-formaldehyde, trioxane, etc. The acid includes acetic acid, trichloroacetic acid, trifluoroacetic acid, etc. The reaction is carried out at a temperature of from room temperature to the boiling point of the solvent and is completed in 1-24 hours.

Compound (III) which is the starting material can be prepared according to the process described in JP-A-21679/83, as shown below.



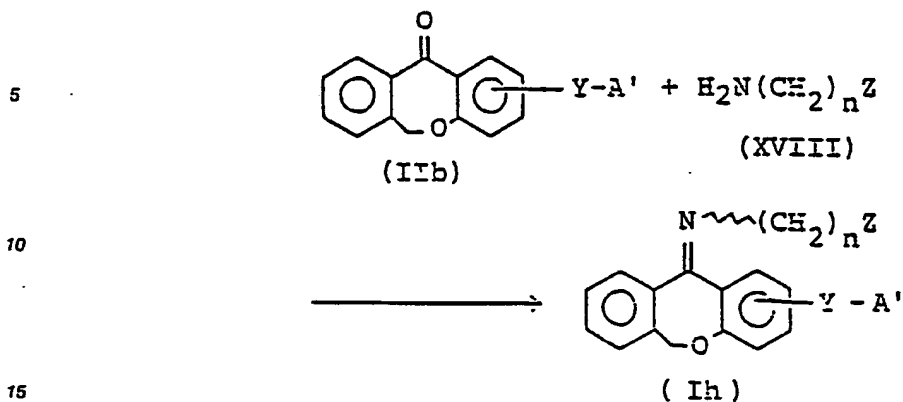
45 That is, Compound (IIb), 1 to 5 equivalents of methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide and 1 to 5 equivalents of n-butyl lithium on the basis of Compound (IIb) are subjected to reaction in an inert solvent at from -78°C to room temperature for 1 to 5 hours to yield ylide (XVII) which is reacted with an equivalents of Compound (IIb) in an inert solvent at from -78°C to room temperature under atmosphere of an inert gas for 1 to 24 hours to yield Compound (IIIa).

The inert gas includes nitrogen, argon, etc. and the inert solvent includes tetrahydrofuran, etc.

50 The group A' in Compound (IIIa) can easily be converted to a lower alkanoyl group as is stated in Process I and therefore, Compound (III) can easily be prepared.

#### 55 Process E

[Synthesis of Compound (I) wherein X is =N-]

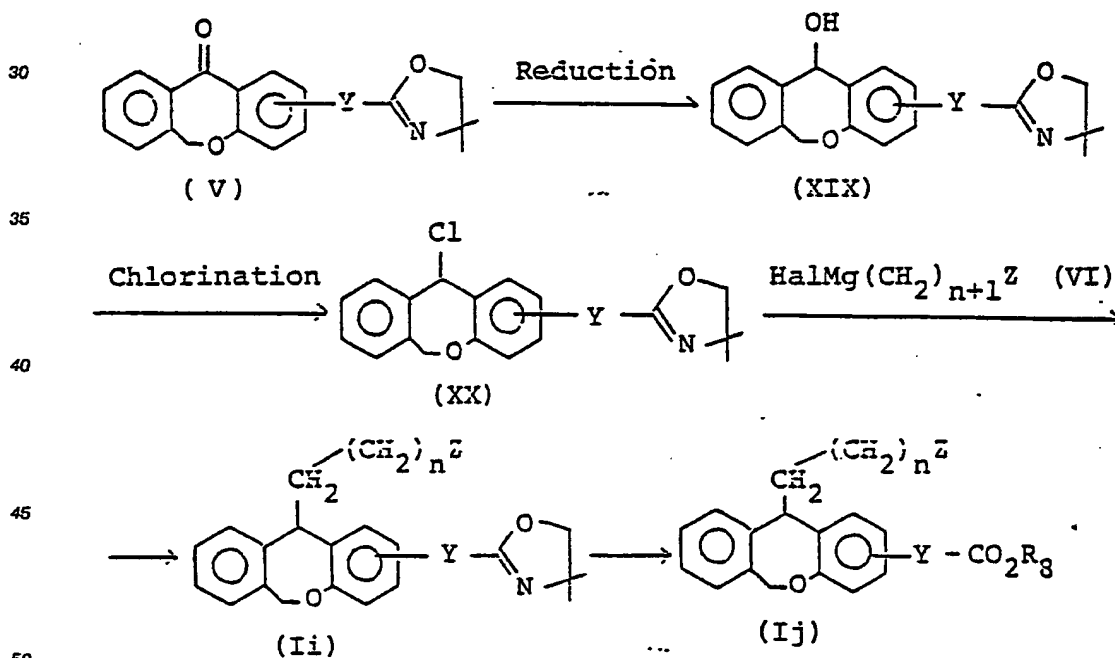


Compound (IIb) and 1 to 10 equivalents of Compound (XVIII) are subjected to reaction in an inert solvent such as benzene in the presence of 1 to 10 equivalents of titanium tetrachloride at from 0°C to the boiling point of the solvent under atmosphere of an inert gas such as nitrogen and argon for 1 to 48 hours to yield Compound (Ih).

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### Process E

25 [Synthesis of Compound (I) wherein X is -CH<sub>2</sub>-(Part I)]



In the formulae, Y, Z, n, R<sub>8</sub> and Hal have the same meanings as previously defined.

Compound (V) is reduced with 1 to 5 equivalent of lithium aluminium hydride or sodium borohydride in an inert solvent such as tetrahydrofuran and methanol at from 0°C to room temperature for 1 to 24 hours to yield Compound (XIX).

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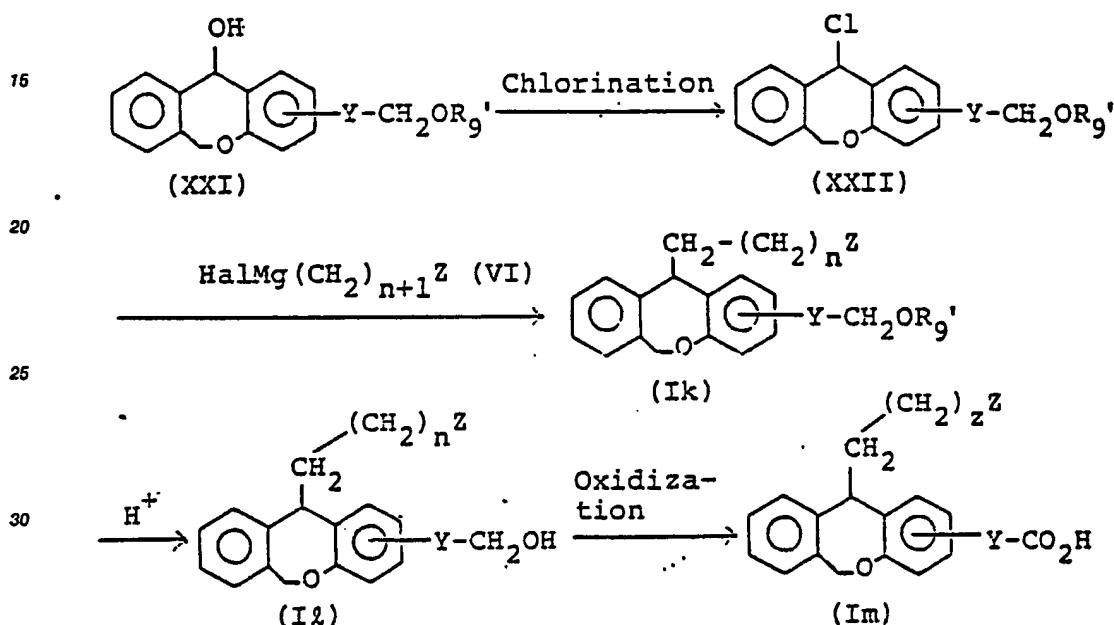
Compound (XIX) and 1 to 5 equivalents of thionyl chloride or phosphoryl chloride are subjected to reaction in an appropriate base such as pyridine at from 0°C to room temperature to yield Compound (XX).

Compound (XX) and 1 to 5 equivalents of Compound (VI) are subjected to reaction in the same manner as in the reaction step from Compound (V) to Compound (VII) in Process A to yield Compound (II).

Compound (II) is subjected to reaction in the same manner as in the reaction step from Compound (VII) to Compound (Ib) or the reaction step from Compound (Ia) to Compound (Ib) in Process A to yield Compound (Ij).

### Process G

[Synthesis of Compound (I) wherein X is  $-\text{CH}_2-$  (Part 2)]



Compound (XXI) is subjected to chlorination in the same manner as in Process F to yield Compound (XXII). Compound (XXII) and Compound (VI) are subjected to reaction in the same manner as in Process F to yield Compound (Ik). Compound (Ik) is treated in the same manner as in Process B to form Compound (Il).

Compound (Il) is further treated to form Compound (Im).

Compound (IX) is included in the definition of the starting material (XXI).

Compound (XI) is reduced with 1 to 5 equivalents of lithium aluminium hydride or sodium borohydride in an inert solvent such as tetrahydrofuran and methanol at from 0°C to room temperature for 1 to 24 hours to yield Compound (XXI).

### Process H

[Synthesis of Compound (I) wherein X is  $-\text{CH}_2-$  (Part 3)]

Compound (I) wherein X is  $-\text{CH}_2-$  can also be prepared by subjecting Compounds (Ia) -(Ig) obtained by the Processes A-D to reduction such as hydrogenation using paradium-carbon as catalyst.

The intermediates and the desired compounds in each of the processes described above can be purified and isolated by a purification method which is usually used in the field of organic chemical synthesis, such as filtration, extraction with organic solvent such as ethyl acetate and methylene chloride, drying, concentration, recrystallization, column chromatography, etc.

Out of Compounds (Ia) -(Ih) obtained in each of the processes described above, with regard to stereochemistry at II-position of dibenz[b,e]oxepin, Compounds (Ia), (Ib), (Ic), (Id), (Ig) and (Ih) are apt to be formed as a trans-form and Compound (Ii) is apt to be formed as a cis-form, with high frequency compared with the other form.

5 When Compound (I) except Compounds (Ii) -(Im) is produced as a cis-trans mixture, Compound (I) is separated and purified by an appropriate method which is usually used in the field of organic chemical synthesis, such as column chromatography, recrystallization, etc.

If desired, cis-form can be converted to transform. For example, cis-form is added to an acetic acid and the mixture is heated at reflux in the presence of an appropriate catalyst such as p-toluenesulfonic acid for 10 -24 hours to form trans-form.

With regard to the denotation of cis-form (or cin-form) and trans form (or anti-form) of Compound (I), Compound (I) wherein the substituent bound to the double bond is on the same side as oxygen of oxepin, is cis-form (or cin-form) and Compound (I) wherein the substituent is on the opposite side is trans-form (or anti-form).

15 Further, if cis-or trans-form is denoted according to E -Z expression, cis-form (or cin-form) is Z-form and trans-form (or anti-form) is E-form.

For example, the compound represented by the following formula is cis-form (or cin-form or Z-form).

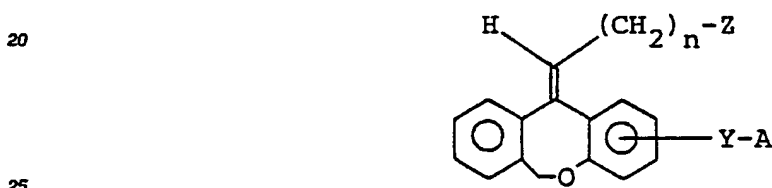


Table 1 shows examples of Compound (I) or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof and Table 2 shows the structural formula thereof.

Table 3 shows characteristic signals in NMR and Table 4 shows retention time in HPLC.

Table 1

Compound No.	Compound (I)
1	Methyl cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
2	Ethyl cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Ethyl trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
3	Cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid Trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid
4	Methyl cis-11-(3-diethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(3-diethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
5	Cis-11-(3-diethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid Trans-11-(3-diethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid
6	Methyl cis-11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
7	Cis-11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid Trans-11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid

5	8	Methyl cis-11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
10	9	Cis-11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid Trans-11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid
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20	10	Methyl cis-11-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)ethylidene]-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)ethylidene]-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
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30	11	Cis-11-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)ethylidene]-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid Trans-11-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)ethylidene]-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid
35	12	Methyl cis-11-(2-morpholinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(2-morpholinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
40	13	Cis-11-(2-morpholinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid Trans-11-(2-morpholinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid
45	14	Methyl cis-11-(2-thiomorpholinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(2-thiomorpholinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
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55	15	Cis-11-(2-thiomorpholinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid Trans-11-(2-thiomorpholinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid



5	16	Methyl cis-11-(2-pyrrolidinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(2-pyrrolidinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
10	17	Methyl cis-11-(2-piperidinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(2-piperidinoethylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
15	18	Methyl cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate Methyl trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
20	19	Ethyl cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate Ethyl trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
25	20	Cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid Trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
30	21	Methyl cis-11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate Methyl trans-11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
35	22	Cis-11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid Trans-11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
40	23	Methyl cis-11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate Methyl trans-11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
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5	24	Cis-11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid Trans-11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
10	25	Methyl cis-11-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)-ethylidene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate Methyl trans-11-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)-ethylidene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
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20	26	Cis-11-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)-ethylidene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid Trans-11-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)-ethylidene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
25	27	Methyl cis-3-[11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionate Methyl trans-3-[11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionate
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35	28	Cis-3-[11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid Trans-3-[11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid
40	29	Methyl cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate Methyl trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate
45	30	Cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid Trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid
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55	31	Cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin Trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

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Cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-triphenylmethyloxymethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

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Trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-triphenylmethyloxymethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

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Cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(3-hydroxypropyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

Trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(3-hydroxypropyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

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Methyl cin-11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate

Methyl anti-11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate

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Cin-11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid

Anti-11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid

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Methyl cin-11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate

Methyl anti-11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate

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Cin-11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid

Anti-11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid

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Methyl cin-11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate

Methyl anti-11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate

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Cin-11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid

Anti-11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid

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5	40	Methyl cin-11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate Methyl anti-11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
10	41	Cin-11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid Anti-11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
15	42	Methyl cin-3-[11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionate Methyl anti-3-[11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionate
20	43	Cin-[11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid Anti-[11-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid
25	44	Methyl cin-2-[11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionate Methyl anti-2-[11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionate
30	45	Cin-2-[11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid Anti-2-[11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid
35	46	Methyl cin-11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate Methyl anti-11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate
40	47	Cin-11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid Anti-11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid
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5	48	Methyl cin-11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate Methyl anti-11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate
10	49	Cin-11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid Anti-11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid
15	50	Methyl 11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
20	51	11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid
25	52	11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
30	53	11-(3-Dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin
35	54	11-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin
40	55	Methyl cis-11-(3-morpholinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(3-morpholinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
45	56	Cis-11-(3-morpholinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid Trans-11-(3-morpholinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid
50	57	Methyl cis-11-(3-thiomorpholinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate Methyl trans-11-(3-thiomorpholinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate
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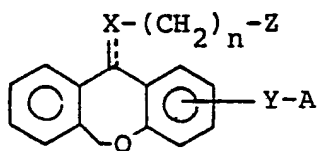
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10		Trans-11-(3-thiomorpholinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid
15	59	Methyl trans-3-[cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-acrylate
20		Methyl trans-3-[trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-acrylate
25	60	Trans-3-[cis-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-acrylic acid
30		Trans-3-[trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-acrylic acid
35	61	Methyl cis-11-(3-methylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
40		Methyl trans-11-(3-methylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
45	62	Cis-11-(3-methylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
50		Trans-11-(3-methylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
55	63	Methyl cis-11-(3-aminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
		Methyl trans-11-(3-aminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate
	64	Cis-11-(3-aminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid
		Trans-11-(3-aminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid

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10	3'	1/2 Fumarate · 1/5 hydrate of Compound 3 (trans form 99%)
	5'	Fumarate · 1/3 hydrate of Compound 5 (cis form 99%)
15	7'	Fumarate · 1 hydrate of Compound 7 (cis form 70%)
	11'	2 Fumarate · 1/2 hydrate of Compound 11 (trans form 100%)
20	13'	1/2 Fumarate · 1/2 hydrate of Compound 13 (trans form 93%)
	15'	Fumarate of Compound 15 (trans form 100%)
25	20'	Fumarate · 3/2 hydrate of Compound 20 (trans form 95%)
	26'	Fumarate · 2/3 hydrate of Compound 26 (trans form 88%)
	28'	Fumarate · 1/2 hydrate of Compound 28 (trans form 63%)
35	31'	1/2 Fumarate · 1 hydrate of Compound 31 (trans form 95%)
	33'	Fumarate of Compound 33 (cis form 100%)
40	35'	Sodium salt · 1 hydrate of Compound 35 (anti : cin = 1 : 1)
	43'	Sodium salt of Compound 43 (anti form 98%)
45	45'	Sodium salt · 1 hydrate of Compound 45 (anti form 99%)
	60'	Fumarate of Compound 60 (cis form 100%)
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Table 2



Me : methyl group

Ph : phenyl group

Et : ethyl group

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Compound No.	X	-Y-A	-(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>n</sub> -Z
1	CH	2-COOMe	
2	"	2-COOEt	"
3	"	2-COOH	"
4	"	2-COOMe	
5	"	2-COOH	"
6	"	2-COOMe	
7	"	2-COOH	"
8	"	2-COOMe	
9	"	2-COOH	"
10	"	2-COOMe	
11	"	2-COOH	"
12	"	2-COOMe	
13	"	2-COOH	"
14	"	2-COOMe	
15	"	2-COOH	"
16	"	2-COOMe	
17	"	2-COOMe	



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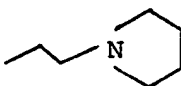
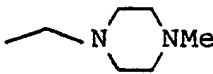



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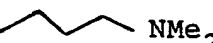




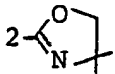

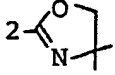
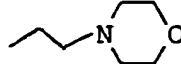
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Compound No.	X	-Y-A	-(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>n</sub> -Z
18	CH	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	 NMe <sub>2</sub>
19	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOEt	"
20	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
21	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	 NMe <sub>2</sub>
22	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
23	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	
24	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
25	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	
26	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
27	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	 NMe <sub>2</sub>
28	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
29	"	3-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	"
30	"	3-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
31	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	"
32	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OC(Ph) <sub>3</sub>	"
33	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	"
34	N	2-COOMe	 NEt <sub>2</sub>
35	"	2-COOH	"
36	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	 NMe <sub>2</sub>
37	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"

Compound No.	X	-Y-A	-(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>n</sub> -Z
38	N	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	 NEt <sub>2</sub>
39	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
40	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	 NMe <sub>2</sub>
41	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
42	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	 NEt <sub>2</sub>
43	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
44	"	2-CH(CH <sub>3</sub> )COOMe	 NMe <sub>2</sub>
45	"	2-CH(CH <sub>3</sub> )COOH	"
46	"	3-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	"
47	"	3-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
48	"	3-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	 NMe <sub>2</sub>
49	"	3-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
50	CH <sub>2</sub>	2-COOMe	 NMe <sub>2</sub>
51	"	2-COOH	"
52	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
53	CH		 NMe <sub>2</sub>
54	CH <sub>2</sub>		"
55	CH	2-COOMe	
56	"	2-COOH	"

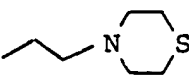



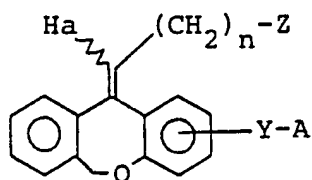
Compound No.	X	-Y-A	$-(CH_2)_n-Z$
57	CH	2-COOMe	
58	"	2-COOH	"
59	"	2-CH=CH-COOMe	
60	"	2-CH=CH-COOH	"
61	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	
62	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"
63	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOMe	
64	"	2-CH <sub>2</sub> COOH	"

Table 3



Compound	Chemical shift of Ha proton (ppm)		Measure solvent
	Cis	Trans	
1	5.67	6.06	A
2	5.70	6.07	A
3	5.72	6.09	B
4	5.69	6.05	A
5	5.73	-	B

5	Compound	Chemical shift of Ha proton (ppm)		Measure solvent
		Cis	Trans	
	6	5.70	6.07	A
10	7	5.71	6.09	B
	8	5.70	6.08	A
15	9	5.71	6.08	B
	10	5.85	6.22	A
	11	-	6.11	B
20	12	5.81	6.20	A
	13	5.81	6.13	B
25	14	5.81	6.18	A
	15	5.80	6.13	B
	16	5.83	6.19	A
30	17	5.92	6.28	A
	18	5.69	6.06	A
35	19	5.70	6.07	A
	20	5.66	6.00	B
	21	5.66	6.02	A
40	22	5.67	6.02	B
	23	5.69	5.99	A
45	24	5.60	5.92	A
	25	5.84	6.17	A
	26	5.72	6.05	B
50	27	5.69	6.57	A
	28	5.50	5.99	B
55	31	5.66	5.99	A

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Compound	Chemical shift of Ha proton (ppm)		Measure solvent
	Cis	Trans	
32	5.69	6.97	A
33	5.65		A
55	5.67	6.06	A
56	5.73	6.10	B
57	5.68	6.03	A
58	5.70	6.08	B
59	5.72	-	A
60	5.71	-	B
61	5.63	-	A
62	5.65	-	B
63	5.68	-	A
64	5.67	-	B

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A =  $\text{CDCl}_3$   
B =  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$

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Table 4

Compound	Retention time in HPLC (Minutes)		Eluent
	Cis	Trans	
3	10.33	8.33	B
5	7.19	6.06	C
7	10.83	8.79	B
9	14.26	11.40	B
11	27.06	21.33	A
13	16.59	13.13	A
15	-	14.73	A
20	9.93	7.46	B
22	11.10	8.40	B
24	10.50	8.00	B
26	11.20	8.93	B
28	11.60	9.10	B
33	11.06	-	B
56	11.34	8.95	B
58	12.41	7.75	B
60	11.29	-	B
62	10.77	-	B
64	10.65	-	B

Instrument: SHIMAZU LC-3A

Column Yamamurakagaku YMC A-312

A 0.01M PIC B-8

in 54.3% MeOH

B 0.01M PIC B-8

in 61.3% MeOH

C 0.01M PIC B-8

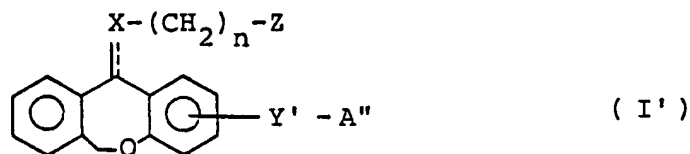
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\* PIC : PIC reagent (Produced by Water Associates)

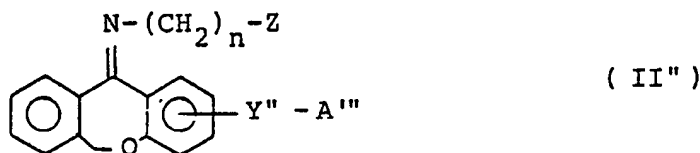
Pressure : 85 - 95 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>

Temperature: room temperature

Compound (I) has both an antiallergic activity and antiinflammatory activity. Among Compound (I), the compound represented by the formula (I') has strong antiallergic activity and the compound represented by the formula (II') has strong antiinflammatory activity.



In the formula, X, n and Z are as previously defined, -Y'-A'' is -Y-A when X is = CH -or -CH<sub>2</sub>-and is -Y-A which is bound at 2 position of the mother nucleus when X is = N-, and Y and A are as previously defined.



In the formula, n and Z are as previously defined; Y'' is -CH<sub>2</sub>-or -CHR<sub>3</sub>-substituted at 2 or 3 position of the mother nucleus wherein R<sub>3</sub> is a lower alkyl; A''' is a hydroxymethyl, a loweralkoxymethyl, a triphenylmethyloxymethyl, a lower alkanoyloxymethyl, a formyl, a carboxyl, a lower alkoxycarbonyl, a triphenylmethyloxycarbonyl, -CONR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>2</sub> wherein R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are the same or different and are hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl, 4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl or -CONHOH.

The antiallergic activity and antiinflammatory activity of Compound (I) are described below:

Test for antiallergic activity:

Antiallergic activity was investigated by a homologous PCA (passive cutaneous anaphlaxis) of rats for 48 hours, where Wistar male rats having body weights of 180 to 220 g were used for sampling of antiserum and Wistar male rats having body weights of 120 to 140 g were used for the PCA test.

## A) Preparation of anti EWA rat serum

Anti-egg white albumin (EWA) rat serum was prepared according to Stotland and Share's method - [Canad. J. Physiol. Pharmacol. 52, 1114 (1974)]. That is, 1 mg of EWA was mixed with 20 mg of aluminum hydroxide gel and 0.5 ml of mixed vaccine of pertussis, diphtheria and tetanus, and the mixture was subcutaneously administered in four portions into rat's footpad. After 14 days, blood was sampled from the carotid artery, and the serum was separated from the sampled blood, and preserved under freezing at -80°C. The potency of the antiserum in the homologous PCA for 48 hours was 1 : 32.

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## B) Homologous PCA test of rats for 48 hours

Groups each consisting of 3 rats were used, and 0.05 ml of anti-EWA rat serum diluted with a physiological saline solution to 8 times as much was cutaneously injected each at two positions of depilated back to make the animals passively sensitised. After 47 hours, the compound of the present invention, or its solution (physiological saline solution or CMC solution) was orally administered. One hour thereafter, 0.5 ml/100 g of 1% Evan's blue physiological saline solution containing 2 mg of the antigen EWA was administered into the tail vein, and 30 minutes thereafter, the animals were sacrificed by exsanguination. Then, the skins were stripped and the amount of leaked pigment at the blue-dyed parts was measured according to the Katayama et al method [Microbiol. Immunol. 22, 89 (1978)]. That is, the blue-dyed parts were cut out by scissors, and placed in test tubes containing 1 ml of 1N KOH and incubated at 37°C for 24 hours. Then, 9 ml of a mixture of 0.6N phosphoric acid and acetone (5 :3) was added thereto, and the mixture was shaken and centrifuged at 2,500 rpm for 10 minutes. Absorbancy of the supernatant at 620  $\mu$ m was measured, and the amount of leaked pigment was quantitatively determined by the calibration curve prepared in advance. An average of measurements at the two position was made a value for one zooid, and inhibition rate for the individual zooid was calculated by the following formula:

$$\text{Inhibition rate (\%)} = \frac{\text{Average leaked amount of solvent-administered group} - \text{Leaked amount of test compound-administered group}}{\text{Average leaked amount of solvent-administered group}} \times 100$$

Cases where, the inhibition rate is 50% or higher, were regarded as positive PCA inhibition activity, and the minimum administered dosage, where a positive case was observed in at least one of three zooids was regarded as minimum effective dosage (MED). The results are shown in Table 5.

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## Acute toxic test:

Groups each consisting of 3 dd, male mice having body weights of  $20 \pm 1$  g were used, and the compound of the present invention was administered orally (po: 300 mg/kg) or intraperitoneally (ip: 100 mg/kg). Mortality 7 days after the administration was observed to obtain MLD (minimum lethal dosage). The results are shown in Table 5.

## 50 Antiinflammatory activity test:

Antiinflammatory activity was examined according to Rat carageenin paw edema [J. Pathol. 104, 15-29 - (1971)]. Groups each consisting of three Wistar male rats weighing 150 g were used. The test compound was suspended in 0.3% aqueous CMC solution and the suspension was given orally. Sixty minutes later, 0.1 ml of 0.1% carageenin was subcutaneously injected in a hind paw to form carageenin paw edema.

The volume of paw was measured before the administration and 3 hours after the administration of carageenin with plethysmometer.



The ratio of the volume 3 hours after the administration to that before the administration of carageenin was calculated and each ratio is compared with the ratio of control group (0.3% CMC was administered) to give the edema inhibiting percentage. The results are shown in Table 6.

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Table 5

Compound	Acute toxicity (MLD) mg/kg		Antiallergic Activity Number of positive zooids in one group of 3 zooids Dosage mg/kg							M E D mg/kg
	po	ip	100	10	1	0.1	0.01	0.001		
3 (cis)	>300	>100	3/3	3/3	3/3	3/3	0/3	-	0.1	
3' (trans)	>300	>100	3/3	2/3	1/3	1/3	0/3	-	0.1	
5' (cis)	>300	>100	3/3	3/3	3/3	0/3	0/3	-	1	
7' (cis:trans = 7 : 3)	>300	>100	3/3	2/3	1/3	0/3	-	-	1	
9 (cis:trans = 91 : 9)	>300	>100	3/3	3/3	2/3	0/3	0/3	-	1	
11' (trans)	>300	>100	2/3	1/3	0/3	0/3	-	-	10	
13' (cis:trans = 7 : 93)	>300	>100	3/3	1/3	0/3	0/3	-	-	10	
15' (trans)	-	-	3/3	0/3	0/3	0/3	-	-	100	
20' (trans)	>300	>100	3/3	3/3	3/3	1/3	0/3	-	0.1	
20 (trans)	>300	>100	2/3	2/3	3/3	3/3	0/3	0/3	0.1	
20 (cis)	>300	>100	3/3	3/3	3/3	3/3	1/3	0/3	0.01	
22 (cis:trans = 92 : 8)	>300	>100	3/3	3/3	2/3	1/3	0/3	-	0.1	
26' (cis:trans = 12 : 88)	>300	>100	3/3	3/3	2/3	0/3	-	-	1	

5	28' (cis:trans = 37 : 63)	>300 >100	3/3	3/3	3/3	2/3	2/3	0/3	0.01
	28 (cis)	>300 >100	3/3	2/3	3/3	1/3	0/3	-	0.1
10	28 (trans)	>300 >100	3/3	3/3	2/3	2/3	1/3	0/3	0.01
	31' (trans)	>300 >100	3/3	3/3	3/3	1/3	0/3	-	0.1
15	31 (trans)	>300 >100	3/3	3/3	2/3	3/3	0/3	-	0.1
20	31 (cis)	200 >100	-	3/3	3/3	2/3	0/3	0/3	0.1
25	33' (cis)	NT NT	3/3	3/3	1/3	0/3	-	-	1
	35' (cin:anti = 1 : 1)	300> 100>	3/3	1/3	0/3	-	-	-	10
30	37 (cin:anti = 8 : 92)	300> 100>	3/3	3/3	0/3	-	-	-	10
35	39 (cin:anti = 2 : 98)	300> 100>	3/3	2/3	3/3	0/3	-	-	1
	41 (cin:anti = 3 : 97)	300> 100>	3/3	2/3	1/3	0/3	-	-	1
40	43' cin:anti mixture	300> 100>	3/3	2/3	0/3	0/3	-	-	10
45	45' (anti)	300> 100>	3/3	3/3	2/3	0/3	-	-	1
	56' (cis:trans = 87 : 13)	>300 >100	3/3	3/3	3/3	1/3	0/3	-	0.1
50	58 (cis:trans = 87 : 13)	>300 >100	3/3	3/3	3/3	0/3	-	-	1
55	60' (cis)	>300 >100	3/3	3/3	2/3	1/3	0/3	-	0.1

Table 6

5	Compound No.	Carageenin paw edema inhibiting percentage (%) (Average value in one group of 3 rats, 100 mg/kg oral administration)
10	37	51.6
	39	50.2
15	41	38.7
	45	63.1
	47	46.0
20	49	24.1

As is evidenced in Tables 5 and 6, Compound (I) and pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof have PCA inhibiting activity and/or carageenin paw edema inhibiting activity.

PCA inhibiting activity is believed to be on the basis of an activity inhibiting liberation of chemical mediator such as histamine from fat skin cell. Therefore, Compound (I) and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof are believed to be useful for treating an allergic disease such as bronchus asthma which is caused by trachea contractile activity of chemical mediator such as histamine.

On the other hand, carageenin paw edema inhibiting activity is believed to be on the basis of prostaglandin biosynthesis inhibiting activity. Thus, Compound (I) and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof are believed to be useful for treating an acute inflammation and rheumatism which are ascribed to excessive prostaglandin.

Compound (I) includes a compound having both antiallergic and antiinflammatory activities described above which is useful for the treatment of allergic diseases accompanied by inflammation.

In view of the pharmacological activity of Compound (I), Compound (I) can be used in various medicament forms for the administration purposes.

The present medicament composition can be prepared by uniformly mixing an effective amount of a free Compound (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof as an active component with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or excipient. The carrier can take a wide range of forms in accordance with a desirable medicament form for the administration. These medicament compositions are desirably in a unit dosage form suitable for the oral administration or injection administration. In the preparation of a composition in the oral dosage form, any useful, pharmaceutically acceptable carrier can be used. For example, an oral liquid preparation such as a suspended medicament or syrup medicament can be prepared using water; sugars such as sucrose, sorbitol, fructose, etc.; glycols such as polyethylene glycol, propylene glycol, etc.; oils such as sesame oil, olive oil, soybean oil, etc.; antiseptics such as alkyl parahydroxybenzoate, etc.; and flavors such as strawberry flavor, peppermint, etc. Powder, pills, capsules and tablets can be prepared using an excipient such as lactose, glucose, sucrose, mannitol, etc.; a disintegrator such as starch, sodium alginate, etc.; a lubricant such as magnesium stearate, talc, etc.; a binder such as polyvinyl alcohol, hydroxypropylcellulose, gelatin, etc.; a surfactant such as fatty acid esters; and a plasticizer such as glycerine, etc. Tablets and capsules are the most useful, oral unit dosage forms because of easy administration. To prepare tablets and capsules, solid carriers for medicament are used. Injection solution can be prepared using a carrier consisting of a salt solution, a glucose solution or a mixture of the salt solution and the glucose solution. The effective dosage of Compound (I) is 1 to 20 mg/kg/day for a human being, and number of administration is 3 to 4 per day.

Examples and Reference Examples are given below:

#### Reference example 1

## (Raw material 1) Methyl 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e] oxepin-2-carboxylate

In this example, 348.9 g of sodium salt of methyl p-hydroxybenzoate, 402.4 g of phthalide and 200 g of sodium chloride are mixed with one another and stirred at 150°C for 6 hours. After completion of the reaction, the mixture is cooled until the temperature is brought back to room temperature, 4 l of aqueous 10 % acetic acid solution is added thereto and the mixture is allowed to stand at room temperature overnight. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for 3 hours, deposited crystals are separated by filtration, and 6 l of water is added thereto. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for 30 minutes, the deposited crystals are separated by filtration. After the addition of 3 l of toluene to the crystals, the mixture is stirred at room temperature for one hour. The crystals are separated by filtration and dried over heating under reduced pressure to yield 393.9 g of 2-(4-methoxycarbonylphenoxy) methyl benzoic acid.

IR (KBr disk): 3400, 1700, 1610, 1260, 1235  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

The thus obtained 2-(4-methoxycarbonylphenoxy) methyl benzoic acid (392.7 g) is suspended in 5.0 l of methylene chloride and 266.0 g of trifluoroacetic anhydride is added thereto. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for one hour, 19.4 g of boron trifluoride-ethylether complex is added thereto and the mixture is stirred at room temperature for two hours. The reaction solution is poured into ice water. After an organic solvent layer is separated from the mixture, the organic layer is washed with diluted aqueous sodium hydroxide solution and water, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain 335.3 g of methyl 11-oxodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate as a white crystal.

Melting point and elementary analysis are shown in Table 7. IR (KBr disk): 1710, 1650, 1610, 1250, 1010  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm): 3.84(s, 3H), 5.14(s, 2H), 6.87-8.93(m, 7H)

## Reference examples 2 -5

(Raw material 2) 11-Oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid

(Raw material 3) 11-Oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid

(Raw material 4) 2-(11-Oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl)-propionic acid

(Raw material 5) 3-(11-Oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl)-propionic acid

Raw materials 2 -5 are produced by respectively substituting p-hydroxyphenyl acetic acid, m-hydroxyphenyl acetic acid, 2-(p-hydroxyphenyl)-propionic acid and 3-(p-hydroxyphenyl)-propionic acid for methyl p-hydroxybenzoate in Reference example 1.

Melting points and elementary analyses thereof are shown in Table 7.

## Reference example 6

(Raw material 6) Methyl 11-methylene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate

In 100 ml of tetrahydrofuran is suspended 25 g of methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide and 40 ml of 1.6 N-n-butyl lithium hexane solution is dropwise added thereto under a nitrogen atmosphere and ice-cooling. After stirring the mixture under ice-cooling for 30 minutes, a solution obtained by dissolving 15 g of methyl 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate in 250 ml of tetrahydrofuran is dropwise added thereto and the mixture is stirred at room temperature for two hours. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane :ethyl acetate = 3 : 1) to obtain 3.7 g of the desired product as a colorless oily matter. NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm): 3.83(s, 3H), 5.15(s, 2H), 5.29 (s, 1H), 5.74(s, 1H), 6.69-8.22(m, 7H)

Melting point and elementary analysis are shown in Table 7.

## Reference example 7

## (Raw material 7) Methyl 11-methylene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate

The desired product is obtained by substituting 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid for methyl 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate in Reference example 6. Colorless oily matter

5 NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 3.48(s, 2H), 3.61(s, 3H), 5.05 (s, 2H), 5.20(s, 1H), 5.62(s, 1H), 6.59-7.43 (m, 7H)  
IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2950, 1740, 1615, 1490, 1010

Melting point and elementary analysis are shown in Table 7.

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Reference example 8

## (Raw material 8) 11-Methylene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid

15 To a mixed solvent of 200 ml of methanol and 50 ml of 2N-aqueous sodium hydroxide solution is added 2.9 g of methyl 11-methylene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (raw material 7, Reference example 7) and the mixture is heated at reflux for two hours. After allowing the mixture to stand for cooling, the mixture is concentrated under reduced pressure, and the pH of the mixture is adjusted to 1.0 with aqueous 4N-hydrochloric acid solution. The mixture is extracted with 500 ml of ethyl acetate, washed with aqueous 1N-hydrochloric acid solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the resultant crude product is crystallized from hexane to obtain 2.7 g of the desired product as a white solid. NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> + D<sub>2</sub>O,  $\delta$ , ppm): 3.45(s, 2H), 5.02(s, 2H), 5.16(s, 1H), 5.60(s, 1H), 6.45-7.44(m, 7H)

25 Melting point and elementary analysis are shown in Table 7.

Reference example 9

## 30 (Raw material 9) Methyl 11-methylene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate

The desired product is obtained by substituting 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid for methyl 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate in Reference example 6.

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Reference example 10

## (Raw material 10) 11-Methylene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid

40 The desired product is obtained by substituting methyl 11-methylene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate for methyl 11-methylene-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate in Reference example 8.

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Table 7

Raw material	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%) or mass spectrum		
1	128 - 129  (Isopropyl ether)	as $C_{16}H_{12}O_4$		
			C	H
		Calculated	71.63	4.51
		Found	71.55	4.48
2	130 - 132  (Ethyl acetate)	as $C_{16}H_{12}O_4$		
			C	H
		Calculated	71.63	4.51
		Found	71.86	4.55

5	Raw material	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%) or mass spectrum		
10	3	111 - 114  (Ethyl acetate)	as $C_{16}H_{12}O_4$		
				C	H
			Calculated	71.63	4.51
			Found	71.53	4.66
15	4	Syrup	as $C_{17}H_{14}O_4$ (M + 282)		
20	5	144 - 145  ( Water )	as $C_{17}H_{14}O_4$		
				C	H
			Calculated	72.33	5.00
			Found	72.45	5.20
25	6	Syrup	as $C_{17}H_{14}O_3$ (M + 266)		
30	7	Syrup	as $C_{18}H_{16}O_3$ (M + 280)		
35	8	162 - 163  ( Water )	as $C_{17}H_{14}O_3$		
				C	H
			Calculated	76.68	5.30
			Found	76.29	5.16

Reference example II

(Reagent I) (3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide

In this example, 350.0 g of triphenylphosphine and 270.0 g of dibromopropane are suspended in 700 ml of toluene and the suspension is heated at reflux for 25 hours. After allowing the suspension to stand for cooling, the formed product is separated by filtration and washed with 2 l of toluene to obtain 550.0 g of (3-bromopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide having m.p. 233 -234°C.

Then, 100.0 g of (3-bromopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide is suspended in 500 ml of ethanol and 300 ml of 50 % aqueous dimethylamine solution is added thereto. After heating the mixture at reflux for 10 minutes, the mixture is allowed to stand for cooling. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the resultant crude product is recrystallized from ethanol to obtain 64.0 g of the desired product having the physicochemical properties as identified in Table 8.

Reference examples 12 -14



(Reagent 2) (3-Diethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide • 1/3 hydrate

(Reagent 3) (4-Dimethylaminobutyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide

5 (Reagent 4) (3-Pyrrolidinopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide • 1/2 hydrate

The above-captioned compounds are prepared according to the same manner as in Reference example II and the physicochemical properties are shown in Table 8.

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Table 8

15 Reagent	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%)
1	287 - 289 (Ethanol)	as $C_{23}H_{28}NPBr_2$ C H N Calculated 54.24 5.54 2.75 Found 54.12 5.63 2.93
25 2	228 - 230 (Isopropanol)	as $C_{25}H_{32}NPBr_2 \cdot 1/3H_2O$ C H N Calculated 55.33 6.05 2.58 Found 55.31 6.19 2.68
30 3	255 - 257 (Isopropanol)	as $C_{24}H_{30}NPBr_2$ C H N Calculated 55.09 5.78 2.68 Found 55.04 5.91 2.62
35 4	291 - 293 (Ethanol)	as $C_{25}H_{30}NPBr_2 \cdot 1/2H_2O$ C H N Calculated 55.17 5.74 2.57 Found 55.18 5.95 2.66
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Example I

50 Ethyl II-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 2)

Process A:

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## N-(1,1-dimethyl-2-hydroxyethyl)-11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxamide

In this process, 12.5 g of 6,11-dihydro-11-oxodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid is dissolved in 300 ml of methylene chloride and 8.9 g of thionyl chloride is dropwise added to the solution under ice-cooling. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for two hours, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. To the obtained residue are added 100 ml of toluene and 32.4 g of 2-amino-2-methyl-propanol, and the mixture is stirred at 50°C for 3 hours.

The mixture is extracted with 500 ml of ethyl acetate, and washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order. The mixture is dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The crude product is recrystallized from toluene to obtain 8.3 g of the desired product as a white crystal. Melting point: 155 - 159°C

NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub> + DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, δ, ppm): 1.38(s, 6H), 3.53(s, 2H), 5.25(s, 2H), 6.91-8.68(m, 7H)

## Process B:

## 2-(4,4-Dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

In this process, 8.0 g of N-(1,1-dimethyl-2-hydroxyethyl)-11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxamide is suspended in 100 ml of methylene chloride. To the suspension is added 3.6 g of thionyl chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere and ice-cooling and the mixture is stirred at room temperature for one hour. To the mixture is added 300 ml of methylene chloride, and the mixture is washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent : hexane : ethyl acetate = 2 : 1). The resultant crude product is recrystallized from hexane to obtain 6.3 g of the desired product as a white crystal. Melting point: 122°C

NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ, ppm): 1.37(s, 6H), 4.06(s, 2H), 5.14(s, 2H), 6.84-8.89(m, 7H)

Elementary analysis (%): as C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N

Calculated: C 74.25 H 5.58 N 4.56

Found: C 74.23 H 5.55 N 4.59

## Process C:

## 11-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-11-hydroxy-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

To a solution of 3-dimethylaminopropyl magnesium chloride obtained by reacting 1.2 g of magnesium with 6.0 g of 3-dimethylaminopropyl chloride in 80 ml of tetrahydrofuran under a nitrogen atmosphere using dibromoethane as a catalyst is dropwise added under ice-cooling 80 ml of tetrahydrofuran solution of 7.6 g of 2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin.

After stirring the mixture at room temperature overnight, aqueous ammonium chloride solution is added thereto and then the mixture is neutralized with aqueous 4N-hydrochloric acid solution. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. To the residue is added aqueous 4N-hydrochloric acid solution to adjust the pH of the solution to 1. After washing the mixture with 200 ml of diethyl ether, aqueous 10N-sodium hydroxide solution is added to adjust the pH of the mixture to 13. The mixture is extracted with 200 ml of methylene chloride and the extract is washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order. After drying the solution over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane : ethyl acetate : triethylamine = 10 : 10 : 1). The resultant crude product is triturated with isopropyl ether to obtain 6.1 g of the desired product as a white solid. Melting point: 166 - 167°C

NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 1.30(s, 8H), 2.18(s, 8H), 3.98 (s, 2H), 4.97 and 5.46(ABq, J = 15.1 Hz, 2H), 6.65-8.49(m, 7H)

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#### Process D:

Ethyl 11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate

10 In this process, 6.1 g of 11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-11-hydroxy-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in 300 ml of ethanol. To the solution are added 0.6 g of p-toluenesulfonic acid and 30 ml of water and the mixture is heated at reflux for 4 hours. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure to obtain a crude product of 11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid. The crude product is dissolved in 300 ml of ethanol and 20 ml  
15 of concentrated sulfuric acid is added thereto. The mixture is heated at reflux for 15 hours.

The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. To the resultant residue is added 200 ml of water and the mixture is washed with diethyl ether. The pH of the mixture is adjusted to 12.0 with aqueous 10N-sodium hydroxide solution and the mixture is extracted with 300 ml of methylene chloride. The extract is washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride  
20 solution in order. After drying the extract over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the resultant residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate :triethylamine = 10 :1 ) to obtain 1.4 g of the desired product as a colorless oily matter. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2950, 2775, 1715, 1250, 1120, 1010

Mass spectrum (m/z): 351 (M<sup>+</sup>)

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#### Example 2

30 11-(3-Dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-triphenylmethyloxymethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin (Compound 32)

#### Process A:

35 11-Hydroxy-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

In this process, 20 g of methyl 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate is dissolved in 500 ml of tetrahydrofuran. To the solution is added 6.0 g of lithium aluminium hydroxide and the mixture is stirred at room temperature for one hour. After decomposing an excess of the reagent by the addition of water to the  
40 solution, the mixture is filtered to remove an inorganic salts and the filtrate is concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure to obtain 17.7 g of the desired product as a white solid. Melting point: 132 -136°C

NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub> + DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> + D<sub>2</sub>O,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.59(t, 2H, J = 6.8Hz), 3.55(t, 2H, J = 6.8Hz), 4.89 and 5.71(ABq, 2H, J = 12.6Hz), 5.60(s, 1H), 6.46-7.49(m, 7H)

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#### Process B

11-Hydroxy-2-(2-triphenylmethyloxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

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In this process, 17.2 g of 11-hydroxy-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in 50 ml of pyridine. To the solution is added 30 g of triphenylchloromethane and the mixture is stirred at 50°C for 5 hours. After adding water and stirring the mixture for 2 hours, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The mixture is extracted with 1000 ml of ethyl acetate, washed with saturated aqueous  
55 sodium chloride solution, and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the resultant residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane :ethyl acetate = 3 :1 ) to obtain 21.7 g of the desired product as a colorless amorphous. NMR -

(CDCl<sub>3</sub> + D<sub>2</sub>O,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.47-2.95(m, 2H), 2.96-3.45(m, 2H), 4.87 and 5.71(ABq, 2H, J=13.2Hz), 5.43(s, 1H), 6.33-7.51(m, 22H)

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#### Process C:

#### 11-Oxo-2-(2-triphenylmethoxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

10 In this process, 10 g of 11-hydroxy-2-(2-triphenylmethoxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in a solution comprising 800 ml of acetone, 1000 ml of water, 20 ml of saturated aqueous magnesium sulfate solution and 0.2 g of disodium phosphate. To the solution is dropwise added 2.6 g of aqueous sodium permanganate solution and the mixture is stirred at room temperature for 4.5 hours. Then, 100 ml of methanol is added thereto and the mixture is heated at reflux for 3 hours. After allowing the mixture to stand  
15 for cooling, the mixture is filtered and the filtrate is extracted with 1000 ml of ethyl acetate, washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the resultant crude product is recrystallized from isopropanol to obtain 8.0 g of the desired product having melting point of 132 -134°C as a white crystal. Elementary analysis (%): as C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

20 Calculated: C 84.65 H 5.68

Found: C 84.56 H 5.67

NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.61-3.04(m, 2H), 3.05-3.46 (m, 2H), 5.01(s, 2H), 6.63-8.07(m, 22H)

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#### Process D:

#### 11-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-11-hydroxy-2-(2-triphenylmethoxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

30 To a solution of 3-dimethylaminopropyl magnesium chloride obtained by reacting 0.2 g of magnesium with 1.0 g of 3-dimethylaminopropyl chloride in 10 ml of tetrahydrofuran under a nitrogen atmosphere using dibromoethane as a catalyst, is dropwise added a solution obtained by dissolving 2.0 g of 11-oxo-2-(2-triphenylmethoxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin in 10 ml of tetrahydrofuran under ice cooling and the mixture is stirred at room temperature for one day. Aqueous ammonium chloride solution is added thereto  
35 and the pH of the mixture is adjusted to 7.0 with aqueous 4N-hydrochloric acid solution. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The mixture is extracted with 200 ml of methylene chloride and washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order. After drying the extract over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The resultant residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane  
40 : ethyl acetate : triethylamine = 10 : 10 : 1 ) to obtain 1.2 g of the desired product as a colorless amorphous.  
NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 0.85-1.83(m, 4H), 2.08(s, 6H), 2.67-3.44(m, 6H), 4.94 and 5.36(ABq, 2H, J=15.8Hz), 6.63-8.13(m, 22H)

Mass spectrum (m/z): 583 (M<sup>+</sup>)

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#### Process E:

#### 11-(3-Dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-triphenylmethoxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

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In this process, 1.2 g of 11-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-11-hydroxy-2-(2-triphenylmethoxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in 50 ml of pyridine. To the solution is dropwise added 0.8 g of phosphorus oxychloride under a nitrogen atmosphere and ice-cooling. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for one hour, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is extracted  
55 with 100 ml of methylene chloride, and washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order. After drying the mixture over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The resultant residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane : ethylacetate : triethylamine = 10 : 10 : 1 ) to obtain 0.82 g of

the desired product as a colorless oily matter. NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.16(s, 6H), 2.30-2.40(m, 4H), 2.79(t, 2H, J = 6Hz), 3.24(t, 2H, J = 6Hz), 5.97 (t, 1H, J = 7Hz), 6.60-7.40(m, 22H), (trans form)

Mass spectrum (m/z): 565 (M<sup>+</sup>)

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### Example 3

11-(3-Dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin (Compound 3I)

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In this example, 0.92 g of 11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-triphenylmethoxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in a mixed solvent of 20 ml of water and 20 ml of dioxane. To the solution is added 60 mg of p-toluene sulfonic acid and the mixture is heated at reflux for two hours. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the residue is extracted with 200 ml of ethylacetate, washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium hydrochloride solution in order and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The resultant residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethylacetate : triethylamine = 10 : 1) to obtain 0.4 g of the desired product. Cis form white solid,

Melting point: 100 -102°C (diethylether)

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NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.32(s, 6H), 2.30-2.70(m, 4H), 2.76(t, 2H, J = 6Hz), 3.78(t, 2H, J = 6Hz), 5.66(t, 1H, J = 7Hz), 6.80-7.40(m, 7H)

Mass spectrum: 323 (M<sup>+</sup>)

Trans form white solid,

Melting point: 96 -97°C (diethylether)

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NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.21(s, 6H), 2.30-2.70(m, 4H), 2.76(t, 2H, J = 6Hz), 3.78(t, 2H, J = 6Hz), 6.01(t, 1H, J = 7Hz), 6.68-7.40(m, 7H)

Mass spectrum (m/z): 323 (M<sup>+</sup>)

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### Example 4

11-(3-Dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 20)

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In this Example, 2.2 g of 11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in 100 ml of acetone. The Jones reagent is added to the solution until the reaction solution shows an orange color and the mixture is stirred at room temperature for one hour. Sodium bicarbonate is added thereto and an inorganic substance is removed by filtration. The solvent of the filtrate is distilled away under reduced pressure to obtain the desired product. The physicochemical properties of the product coincide with those of the product obtained in Example 35.

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### Example 5

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Methyl 11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin 2-carboxylate (Compound I)

In this Example, 45 g of (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide is suspended in 200 ml of tetrahydrofuran under a nitrogen atmosphere and 82 ml of 1.6N-n-butyl lithium hexane solution is added thereto under ice-cooling. The mixture is stirred under ice-cooling for one hour. To the mixture is dropwise added under ice-cooling a solution obtained by dissolving 10 g of methyl 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate in 200 ml of tetrahydrofuran. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for 2 hours, the mixture is extracted with 800 ml of ethyl acetate. After washing the extract with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and drying the extract over anhydrous sodium sulfate, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane : ethyl acetate : triethylamine = 10 : 10 : 1) to obtain 2.0 g of trans form and 5.6 g of cis form of the desired product. Cis form NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.23(s, 6H), 2.17-2.81(m, 4H), 5.28(bs, 2H), 5.61(t, 1H), 6.80-8.10(m, 7H)

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Trans form NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ, ppm): 2.15(s, 6H), 2.17-2.81(m, 4H), 5.00-5.50(broad, 2H), 6.06 (t, 1H), 6.70-8.10-(m, 7H)

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#### Example 6

Methyl 11-(3-diethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 4)

10 The desired product is obtained by substituting (3-diethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide•1/3 hydrate for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 5.

#### 15 Example 7

Methyl 11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 6)

20 The desired product is obtained by substituting (3-pyrrolidinopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide•1/2 hydrate for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 5.

#### Example 8

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Methyl 11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 8)

The desired product is obtained by substituting (4-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 5.

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#### Example 9

Methyl 11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 18)

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In this example, 48 g of (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide is suspended in 200 ml of tetrahydrofuran under a nitrogen atmosphere and 80 ml of 1.6N-n-butyl lithium hexane solution is added thereto under ice-cooling. The mixture is stirred under ice-cooling for one hour. A solution obtained by dissolving 5.0 g of 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz [b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid in 120 ml of tetrahydrofuran is dropwise added under ice-cooling. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for two hours, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. Then, 200 ml of water is added to the residue and the mixture is washed with 200 ml of diethyl ether. The pH of the mixture is adjusted to 1 with aqueous 4N-hydrochloric acid solution and the mixture is washed with diethyl ether.

45 Then, aqueous 10N-sodium hydroxide solution is added thereto to adjust the pH of the mixture to 7 and the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The resultant residue is dissolved in 400 ml of methanol and 5 g of p-toluene sulfonic acid is added thereto. After heating the mixture at reflux for two hours, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is extracted with 300 ml of ethyl acetate, washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate.

50 The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the resultant residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane : ethyl acetate : triethylamine = 10 : 10 : 1) to obtain 4.0 g of the desired product as a colorless oily matter. Cis form

NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ, ppm): 2.06-2.67(m, 4H), 2.16(s, 6H), 3.46(s, 2H), 3.58(s, 3H), 5.08(bs, 2H), 5.69 (t, 1H, J = 7Hz), 6.53-7.30(m, 7H)

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#### Trans form

NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.06-2.67(m, 4H), 2.16(s, 6H), 3.46(s, 2H), 3.58(s, 3H), 5.08(bs, 2H), 6.06 (t, 1H, J=7Hz), 6.53-7.30(m, 7H)

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#### Example 10

Methyl 11-(4-dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 21)

10 The desired product is obtained by substituting (4-dimethylaminobutyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 9.

#### Example 11

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Methyl 11-(3-pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 23)

The desired product is obtained by substituting (3-pyrrolidinopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide•1/2 hydrate for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 9.

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#### Example 12

25 Methyl 3-[(11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl)-propionate (Compound 27)

The desired product is obtained by substituting 3-(11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl)-propionic acid for 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid in Example 9.

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#### Example 13

Methyl 11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate (Compound 29)

35 The desired product is obtained by substituting 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid for 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid in Example 9.

#### Example 14

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Methyl 11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 36)

In this example, 22.0 g of methyl 11-oxo-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate and 68.7 g of N,N-dimethylethylenediamine are dissolved in 700 ml of dried benzene. To the solution is dropwise added a solution of 17.2 ml of titanium tetrachloride in 40 ml of dried benzene and the mixture is stirred at room temperature overnight. A saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution is added thereto. After removing an insoluble solid by filtration, the filtrate is extracted with 500 ml of ethylacetate, washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order, and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel with ethylacetate /triethylamine (10 /1) as an eluent to obtain 13.8 g of the desired product as a colorless oily matter. NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.14(s, 6H), 2.63(t, 2H, J=6.9Hz), 3.51(s, 2H), 3.58(s, 3H), 3.38-3.80 (m, 2H), 5.04(bs, 2H), 6.56-7.60(m, 7H)

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IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2950, 1740, 1630, 1305, 1015

Mass spectrum (m/z): 352 (M<sup>+</sup>)

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#### Example 15

## Methyl II-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 34)

The desired product is obtained by substituting methyl II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate for methyl II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate in Example 14 as a colorless oily matter.

5 Mass spectrum (m/z): 366 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>

Example 16

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## Ethyl II-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 38)

The desired product is obtained by substituting N,N-diethylethylenediamine for N,N-dimethylethylenediamine in Example 14 as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum (m/z): 380 (M<sup>+</sup>) for

15 C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>

Example 17

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## Methyl II-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 40)

The desired product is obtained by substituting N,N-dimethylpropylenediamine for N,N-dimethylethylenediamine in Example 14 as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum (m/z): 366 (M<sup>+</sup>) for

25 C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>

Example 18

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## Methyl 3-[II-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionate (Compound 42)

The desired product is obtained by substituting 3-(II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin 2-yl)-propionic acid for methyl II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate in Example 16 as a colorless oily matter.

35 Mass spectrum (m/z): 394 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>

Example 19

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## Methyl 2-[II-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionate (Compound 44)

The desired product is obtained by substituting 2-(II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl)-propionic acid for methyl II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate in Example 14 as a colorless oily matter.

45 Mass spectrum (m/z): 366 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>

Example 20

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## Methyl II-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate (Compound 46)

The desired product is obtained by substituting II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid for methyl II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate in Example 14 as a colorless oily matter. Mass

55 spectrum (m/z): 352 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>



Example 21

Methyl II-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetate (Compound 48)

- 5 The desired product is obtained by substituting II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid for II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid in Example 17 as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum - (m/z): 366 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N<sub>2</sub>

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Example 22

Methyl II-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)ethylidene]-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 10)

- 15 In this example, 1.5 ml of 4-methylpiperazine and 0.37 g of p-formaldehyde are dissolved in 100 ml of tetrachloroethane. To the solution is dropwise added 5 ml of trifluoroacetic acid. After stirring the mixture at 60°C for 2 hours, a solution obtained by dissolving 1.8 g of methyl II-methylene-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate in 30 ml of tetrachloroethane is dropwise added thereto and the mixture is stirred at 90°C for 3 hours.

- 20 The mixture is concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure and aqueous 4N-hydrochloric acid solution is added to the residue to adjust the pH to 1. After washing the solution with diethylether, aqueous 10N-sodium hydroxide solution is added thereto to adjust the pH to 13. The mixture is extracted with 200 ml of methylene chloride, washed with saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is purified by column  
25 chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane : ethyl acetate : triethylamine = 5 : 5 : 1) to obtain 2.2 g of the desired product as a colorless oily matter. Cis form NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ, ppm): 2.24(s, 3H), 2.45(s, 8H), 2.94-3.32(m, 2H), 3.84(s, 3H), 5.22(bs, 2H), 5.85(t, 1H, J = 6.8Hz), 6.66-8.07(m, 7H)

Mass spectrum (m/z): 378 (M<sup>+</sup>)

- Trans form NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, δ, ppm): 2.24(s, 3H), 2.45(s, 8H), 2.94-3.32(m, 2H), 3.84(s, 3H), 5.22(bs, 2H),  
30 6.22(t, 1H, J = 6.8Hz)

Mass spectrum (m/z): 378 (M<sup>+</sup>)

35 Example 23

Methyl II-(2-morpholinoethylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 12)

The desired product is obtained by substituting morpholine for 4-methylpiperazine in Example 22.

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Example 24

Methyl II-(2-thiomorpholinoethylidene) 6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 14)

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The desired product is obtained by substituting thiomorpholine for 4-methylpiperazine in Example 22.

Example 25

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Methyl II-(2-pyrrolidinoethylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 16)

The desired product is obtained by substituting pyrrolidine for 4-methylpiperazine in Example 22.

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Example 26

Methyl II-(2-piperidinoethylidene)-6,II-dihydro dibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 17)

The desired product is obtained by substituting piperidine for 4-methylpiperazine in Example 22.

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#### Example 27

Methyl II-[2-(4-methylpiperazino)ethylidene]-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 25)

10 The desired product is obtained by substituting methyl II-methylene-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate for methyl II-methylene-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate in Example 22.

#### Example 28

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II-(3-Dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 3)

In this example, 26.1 g of methyl II-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate is dissolved in a mixed solvent of 500 ml of methanol and 30 ml of water and 6.2 g of sodium hydroxide is added thereto. The mixture is heated at reflux for two hours. After allowing the mixture to stand for cooling, aqueous 4N-hydrochloric acid solution is added thereto to adjust the pH to 7 and the mixture is concentrated under reduced pressure. The concentrate is purified by column chromatography on high porous polymer (HP-20) (eluent: water : methanol = 1 : 2) to obtain 25.0 g of the desired product. Cis form white crystal

25 Melting point: 162 -164°C

NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, δ, ppm): 2.28(s, 6H), 2.40-2.70(m, 4H), 5.20-5.40(broad, 2H), 5.72(t, 1H, J = 7.0Hz), 6.85-7.90(m, 7H)

IR (KBr disk, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3400, 1610, 1370, 1220, 1005

Elemental analysis (%): as C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>21</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N•1/3 H<sub>2</sub>O

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	C	H	N
Found:	73.00	6.67	4.14
Calculated:	72.93	6.63	4.25

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Trans form white crystal

Melting point: 242 -244°C

40 NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, δ, ppm): 2.25(s, 6H), 2.40-2.70(m, 4H), 5.20-5.40(broad, 2H), 6.09(t, 1H, J = 7.0Hz), 6.78-7.90(m, 7H)

IR (KBr disk, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3400, 1610, 1380, 1222, 1010

Elemental analysis (%):

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	C	H	N
Found:	74.30	6.60	4.30
Calculated:	74.28	6.55	4.30

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#### Examples 29 -34

II-(3-Diethylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 5)

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II-(3-Pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 7)

II-(4-Dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 9)

II-[2-(4-Methylpiperazino)ethylidene]-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound II)

II-(2-Morpholinoethylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound I3)

5 II-(2-Thiomorpholinoethylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound I5)

These products are obtained by hydrolysis in the same manner as in Example 28.

Compound	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%) or Mass spectrum
5	White solid 120 - 123  (Acetonitrile)	Cis : Trans = 7 : 3 As C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>25</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <div><div>C</div><div>H</div><div>N</div><div>Found75.107.113.87</div><div>Calculated75.197.173.99</div></div>
7	Colorless amor- phous About 150 (Decomposition)	For C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>23</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N 349 (M <sup>+</sup> )

Compound	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%) or Mass spectrum
9	White solid 128 - 129  (Water)	Cis : Trans = 9 : 1, dihydrate As $C_{21}H_{23}NO_3 \cdot 2H_2O$ C            H            N Found            67.61    7.03    4.00 Calculated    67.54    7.29    3.75
11	White solid 150 - 153  (Water)	Cis : Trans = 1 : 9, dihydrate As $C_{22}H_{24}NO_3 \cdot 2H_2O$ C            H            N Found            65.98    6.99    6.95 Calculated    65.98    7.05    7.00
13	White solid 130 - 133  (Toluene)	Cis : Trans = 1 : 9 As $C_{21}H_{21}O_4N$ C            H            N Found            71.52    6.11    3.81 Calculated    71.78    6.02    3.99
15	Colorless amorphous About 140	As $C_{21}H_{21}O_3NS$ 367 ( $M^+$ )

Example 35

II-(3-Dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 20)

The product is obtained by hydrolysis as in the same manner as in Example 28. Cis form white crystal

Melting point: 118 - 120°C (Isopropanol)

NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.16(s, 6H), 2.30-2.60(m, 4H), 4.04(s, 2H), 5.15(bs, 2H), 5.69(t, 1H, J = 7Hz), 6.73-7.40(m, 7H)

IR (KBr disk,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3400, 1580, 1225, 1005

Mass spectrum (m/z): 337 ( $M^+$ )

Elementary analysis (%): as  $C_{21}H_{23}O_3N \cdot \text{monohydrate}$

	C	H	N
Found	70.77	7.36	3.74
Calculated	70.96	7.09	3.94

Trans form white crystal

Melting point: 158 - 160°C (Acetonitrile)

NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.05(s, 6H), 2.30-2.60(m, 4H), 4.04(s, 2H), 5.15(bs, 2H), 6.06(t, 1H, J = 7Hz),

6.73-7.40(m, 7H)

IR (neat,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3380, 1575, 1220, 1005Mass spectrum (m/z): 337 ( $\text{M}^+$ )Elementary analysis (%): as  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3\text{N} \cdot \text{monohydrate}$ 

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	C	H	N
Found	71.06	6.66	3.92
Calculated	70.96	7.09	3.94

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Examples 36 -39

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II-(4-Dimethylaminobutylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 22)

II-(3-Pyrrolidinopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 24)

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II-[2-(4-Methylpiperazino)ethylidene]-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 26)

3-[II-(3-Dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid (Compound 28)

These products are obtained by hydrolysis in the same manner as in Example 35. The physicochemical properties are shown in Table 9.

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Table 9

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Compound	Melting point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	Elementary analysis (%)		
22	White solid 206 - 209  (Isopropanol)	Cis : Trans = 92 : 8		
		as $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_3\text{N}$		
		C	H	N
		Found	75.20	7.28 4.02
26	White solid 206 - 209  (Isopropanol)	Calculated	75.19	7.17 3.99
		Cis : Trans = 1 : 9		
		as $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_3\text{N}$		
		C	H	N
Found		75.19	7.17	3.99
		Calculated	75.15	7.28 3.96

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Compound 28

Cis form white crystalMelting point: 136 -138 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  (Isopropylether)

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NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.32(m, 2H), 2.38(s, 6H), 2.44-2.56(m, 2H), 2.73(m, 4H), 5.15(bs, 2H), 5.50(m, 1H), 6.7-7.4(m, 7H)IR (KBr disk,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3380, 1645Mass spectrum (m/z): 351 ( $\text{M}^+$ )

Elementary analysis (%): as  $C_{22}H_{25}NO_3$

		C	H	N
5	Found	74.83	7.31	3.97
	Calculated	75.19	7.17	3.99

10 Trans form white crystal

Melting point: 148 -149°C (Acetonitrile)

NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.05(s, 6H), 2.24(m, 2H), 2.35(m, 2H), 2.47(t, 2H, J=7.5Hz), 2.72(t, 2H, J=7.5Hz), 4.80-5.50(broad, 2H), 5.99(t, 1H, J=7.1Hz), 6.6-7.5(m, 7H)

IR (KBr disk,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3380, 1700

15 Mass spectrum: 351 ( $M^+$ )

Elementary analysis (%): as  $C_{22}H_{25}NO_3 \cdot 1/5$  hydrate

		C	H	N
20	Found	74.53	7.20	4.32
	Calculated	74.42	7.21	3.95

25 Example 40

II-(2-Dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz [b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 37)

30 The desired product is obtained as a 8 : 92 mixture of cin-form and anti-form by hydrolysis in the same manner as in Example 27. White crystal

Melting point: 174 -176°C (as 1/2 hydrate)

NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm): 2.07(s, 6H), 2.30-2.80(m, 4H), 3.47(s, 2H), 4.90-5.30(broad, 2H), 6.74-7.62 (m, 7H)

IR (KBr disk,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3350, 1575, 1370, 1010

35 Elementary analysis (%): as  $C_{28}H_{32}N_2O_3 \cdot 1/2$  hydrate

		C	H	N
40	Found	69.47	6.77	8.06
	Calculated	69.14	6.67	8.06

45 Examples 41 -47

II-(2-Diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 35)

II-(2-Diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 39)

50 II-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 41)

3-[II-(2-Diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid (Compound 43)

55 2-[II-(2-Dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-propionic acid (Compound 45)

II-(2-Dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid (Compound 47)

## II-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-3-acetic acid (Compound 49)

The desired compounds are obtained by hydrolysis in the same manner as in Example 40. The physicochemical properties are shown in Table 10.

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Table 10

Compound	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%) or Mass spectrum
35	White solid 198 - 200  (Isopropyl ether)	Cin : Anti = 1 : 1 as $C_{21}H_{24}O_3N_2$  C      H      N Found      71.66    6.90    7.82 Calculated   71.57    6.86    7.95
39	White solid 161 - 162  (Ethyl acetate)	Anti : 98% as $C_{22}H_{26}O_3N_2$  C      H      N Found      72.25    7.24    7.58 Calculated   72.11    7.15    7.64
41	White solid 171 - 173  (Isopropanol)	Anti : 97% as $C_{21}H_{24}O_3N_2$  C      H      N Found      71.35    6.92    7.69 Calculated   71.57    6.86    7.95
43	Colorless Oily	as $C_{23}H_{28}O_3N_2$ 380 ( $M^+$ )
45	White solid 132 - 135  ( Water )	Anti > 95% as $C_{21}H_{24}O_3N_2$  C      H      N Found      71.39    6.99    7.91 Calculated   71.57    6.86    7.95
47	White solid 194 - 195 (Decomposition) ( Methanol )	Anti > 95% as $C_{20}H_{22}O_3N_2$  C      H      N Found      70.87    6.80    7.93 Calculated   70.98    6.55    8.28

5	Compound	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%) or Mass spectrum		
10	49	White solid 174 - 175 (Decomposition) (Isopropanol)	Anti > 95% as C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>24</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub>	C	H
15			Found	71.42	7.03
			Calculated	71.57	6.86
					8.06
					7.95

Example 48

20 Methyl II-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 50)

## Process A:

II-Hydroxy-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

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In this process, 2.40 g of II-oxo-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in 100 ml of methanol and 0.3 g of sodium borohydride is added thereto. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for 30 minutes, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is extracted with 200 ml of methylene chloride, washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order, and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is recrystallized from toluene to obtain 2.06 g of the desired product as a white solid. Melting point: 201 -203°C

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## Process B:

II-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-2-[4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl]-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin

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In this process, 1.90 g of II-hydroxy-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in 30 ml of methylene chloride and 0.7 ml of thionyl chloride is added thereto under ice-cooling. After stirring the mixture at room temperature for one hour, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure to obtain a crude product of II-chloro-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin. The crude product as such is dissolved in 10 ml of tetrahydrofuran without purification.

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To the solution is dropwise added under a nitrogen atmosphere 3-dimethylaminopropyl magnesium chloride obtained in the same manner as in Process C of Example I until the raw material is used up. The reaction mixture is extracted with 100 ml of methylene chloride, washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane :ethyl acetate :triethylamine = 10 : 10 : 1) to obtain 0.06 g of the desired product as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum (m/z): 378 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N

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55 Process C:



## Methyl II-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate

In this process, 60 mg of II-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-2-(4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin is dissolved in a mixed solvent of 20 ml of water and 20 ml of dioxane and 10 mg of p-toluenesulfonic acid is added thereto. After heating the mixture at reflux for 3 hours, the mixture is concentrated under reduced pressure. The concentrate is extracted with 100 ml of ethyl acetate, washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is dissolved in a mixed solution of 30 ml of methanol and 10 ml of aqueous 1N-sodium hydroxide solution and the mixture is heated at reflux for 2 hours. After allowing the mixture to stand for cooling, the pH of the mixture is adjusted to 5.4 with aqueous 4N-hydrochloric acid solution.

The solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure and the residue is redissolved in 50 ml of methanol. After adding 10 mg of p-toluenesulfonic acid thereto, the mixture is heated at reflux for 3 hours and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue is extracted with 100 ml of ethyl acetate, washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution in order and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is developed on 3 sheets of preparative TLC (20 cm × 20 cm × 0.25 mm) with a mixed solvent (eluent: hexane :ethyl acetate : triethylamine = 10 : 10 : 2). The band at  $R_f = 0.47$  is collected, and extracted with methylene chloride and the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure to obtain 5.3 mg of the desired product as a colorless oily matter. NMR ( $CDCl_3$ ,  $\delta$ , ppm): 1.20-1.40(m, 1H), 1.60-1.80 (m, 2H), 2.18(m, 2H), 2.56(s, 6H), 2.74(dd, 2H,  $J=6.6$ Hz and 9.5Hz), 3.90(s, 3H), 5.00 and 5.59 (ABq, 2H,  $J=14.2$ Hz), 6.96-7.88(m, 7H)

Mass spectrum ( $m/z$ ): 325 ( $M^+$ ) for  $C_{20}H_{23}O_3N$

IR (neat,  $\nu$ ,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3400, 1710, 1610, 1110

Example 49

1/2 Fumarate•1/5 hydrate of Compound 3 (Compound 3')

In this example, 3.95 g of II-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 3) is dissolved in 100 ml of acetone and 1.42 g of fumaric acid is added thereto. The mixture is stirred at room temperature. The deposited crystals are recovered by filtration and recrystallized from isopropanol to obtain 4.15 g of the desired product as a white solid. Melting point: 253 -254°C

Isomer purity: Trans form 99% (measured by HPLC)

Elementary analysis (%):

as  $C_{20}H_{21}NO_5 \cdot 1/2 C_4H_4O_4 \cdot 1/5 H_2O$

	C	H	N
Found	68.74	6.35	3.61
Calculated	68.63	6.13	3.64

Examples 50 -59

The products identified in Table II, the physicochemical properties of which are shown in Table I2 are obtained in the same manner as in Example 49.

Table 11

Compound No.		
5'	Monofumarate · 1/3 hydrate of Compound 5	(Cis form 99%)
7'	Monofumarate · monohydrate of Compound 7	(Cis form 70%)
11'	Difumarate · 1/2 hydrate of Compound 11	(Trans form 100%)
13'	1/2 Fumarate · 1/2 hydrate of Compound 13	(Trans form 93%)
15'	Monofumarate of Compound 15	(Trans form 100%)
20'	Monofumarate · 3/2 hydrate of Compound 20	(Trans form 95%)
26'	Monofumarate · 2/3 hydrate of Compound 26	(Trans form 88%)
28'	Monofumarate · 1/2 hydrate of Compound 28	(Trans form 63%)

Compound No.		
31'	1/2 Fumarate · monohydrate of Compound 31	(Trans form 95%)
33'	Monofumarate of Compound 33	(Cis form 100%)

Table 12

Compound	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%)
5'	White solid 100 (Decomposition) (Isopropylether)	as $C_{26}H_{29}O_7N \cdot 1/3H_2O$ C H N Found 66.03 6.31 2.96 Calculated 66.14 6.55 3.14
7'	White solid vague owing to absorption of moisture	as $C_{26}H_{27}O_7N \cdot H_2O$ C H N Found 64.32 6.11 2.66 Calculated 64.59 6.05 2.90
11'	White solid 266 - 268 (Isopropanol)	as $C_{30}H_{32}O_{11}N_2 \cdot 1/2H_2O$ C H N Found 59.55 5.44 4.53 Calculated 59.50 5.49 4.63
13'	White solid 232 - 235 (Decomposition) (Isopropanol)	as $C_{23}H_{23}O_6N \cdot 1/2H_2O$ C H N Found 66.63 5.83 3.44 Calculated 66.72 5.85 3.44
15'	White solid 250 - 254 (Isopropanol)	as $C_{25}H_{25}O_7NS$ C H N Found 64.21 5.59 3.73 Calculated 64.23 5.39 3.99

Compound	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%)
20'	White solid 135 - 138  (Isopropyl ether)	as $C_{25}H_{27}O_7N \cdot 3/2H_2O$ C H N Found 62.58 6.12 2.77 Calculated 62.49 6.29 2.91
26'	White solid 108 - 110  (Isopropanol)	as $C_{27}H_{30}O_7N_2 \cdot 2/3H_2O$ C H N Found 64.15 6.47 5.24 Calculated 64.02 6.24 5.53
28'	White amorphous  vague owing to absorption of moisture	as $C_{26}H_{29}NO_7$ C H N Found 66.58 6.61 2.82 Calculated 66.80 6.25 3.00
31'	White solid  vague owing to absorption of moisture  (Petroleum ether)	as $C_{23}H_{27}O_4N \cdot H_2O$ C H N Found 65.53 6.81 2.96 Calculated 65.39 6.92 3.32
33'	White solid 146  (Acetone)	as $C_{26}H_{31}O_6N$ C H N Found 68.81 7.16 3.22 Calculated 68.86 6.89 3.09

Example 60

Monosodium salt • monohydrate of Compound 35 (Compound 35')

In this example, 1.00 g of II-(2-diethylaminoethyl)imino-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 35) is dissolved in 100 ml of methanol and 5.5 ml of 28% sodium methoxide methanol solution is added thereto. After stirring the mixture for one hour, the solvent is distilled away under reduced pressure. The residue is triturated by adding isopropylether and is recovered by filtration to obtain 0.98 g of the desired product as a white solid. Melting point: vague owing to absorption of moisture

Ratio of isomer: Cin : Anti = 1 : 1

Elementary analysis: as  $C_{27}H_{25}O_4N_2Na \cdot H_2O$

	C	H	N
Found	64.23	6.62	7.01
Calculated	64.27	6.68	7.14

Examples 61 and 62

The same procedures as in Example 60 are repeated to obtain the products identified in Table 13, the physicochemical properties of which are shown in Table 14.

Table 13

Compound No.		
43'	Sodium salt of Compound 43	(Anti form 98%)
45'	Sodium salt monohydrate of Compound 45	(Anti form 99%)

Table 14

Compound No.	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%)
43'	White solid  vague owing to absorption of moisture	as C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>27</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Na <div>C                      H                      N</div> <div>Found                      68.46                      7.00                      6.88</div> <div>Calculated                      68.64                      6.76                      6.96</div>
45'	White solid 140 - 145  (Isopropyl ether)	as C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>23</sub> O <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Na · H <sub>2</sub> O <div>C                      H                      N</div> <div>Found                      64.11                      6.57                      6.99</div> <div>Calculated                      64.27                      6.42                      7.14</div>

Example 63 Tablet

A tablet comprising the following components is prepared in a conventional manner.

5	Trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid	
	·1/2 fumarate·1/5 hydrate (Compound 3'):	30 mg
	Lactose:	60 mg
10	Potato starch:	30 mg
	Polyvinyl alcohol:	2 mg
	Magnesium stearate:	1 mg
15	Tar pigment:	q.s.

Example 64 Powder

20 A powder comprising the following components is prepared in a conventional manner.

25	Trans-11-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid	
	monofumarate·3/2 hydrate (Compound 20'):	30 mg
30	Lactose:	270 mg

Example 65 Syrup

35 A syrup comprising the following components is prepared in a conventional manner.

40	11-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)imino-6,11-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid	
	(Compound 37):	300 mg
	Purified sucrose:	40 g
45	Methyl p-oxybenzoate:	40 mg
	Propyl p-oxybenzoate	10 mg
	Strawberry flavor:	0.1 cc

50 Water is added to the above components until the total volume becomes 100 cc

Example 66

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## Methyl II-(3-morpholinopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 55)

The desired product is obtained by substituting (3-morpholinopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 5 as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum (m/z): 379 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>25</sub>O<sub>4</sub>N

Example 67

## Methyl II-(3-thiomorpholinopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylate (Compound 57)

The desired product is obtained by substituting (3-thiomorpholinopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 5 as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum (m/z): 395 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>25</sub>O<sub>3</sub>NS

Example 68

## Methyl trans-3-[II-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-acrylate (Compound 59)

The desired product is obtained by substituting trans-3-[II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-acrylic acid for II-oxo-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid in Example 9 as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum (m/z): 363 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>25</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N

Example 69

## Methyl II-(3-methylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 61)

The desired product is obtained by substituting (3-methylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 9 as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum (m/z): 337 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>23</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N

Example 70

## Methyl II-(3-aminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetate (Compound 63)

The desired product is obtained by substituting (3-aminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide for (3-dimethylaminopropyl)-triphenylphosphonium bromide hydrobromide in Example 9 as a colorless oily matter. Mass spectrum (m/z): 323 (M<sup>+</sup>) for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>21</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N

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## II-(3-Morpholinopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 56)

## II-(3-Thiomorpholinopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-carboxylic acid (Compound 58)

## Trans-3-[II-(3-dimethylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-yl]-acrylic acid (Compound 60)

## II-(3-Methylaminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 62)

## II-(3-Aminopropylidene)-6,II-dihydrodibenz[b,e]oxepin-2-acetic acid (Compound 64)

The same hydrolysis procedures as in Example 28 are repeated to obtain the desired products, the physicochemical properties of which are shown in Table 15.

Table 15

Compound	Melting point (°C)	Elementary analysis (%) or Mass spectrum
56	White solid 130 - 131 (Decomposition) (Isopropanol)	Cis form 87% as $C_{22}H_{23}O_4N \cdot C_3H_8O$ C H N Found 70.65 7.34 3.27 Calculated 70.57 7.34 3.29
58	White solid 201 - 205 (Isopropanol)	Cis form 87% 1/2 hydrate as $C_{22}H_{23}O_3NS \cdot 1/2H_2O$ C H N Found 67.69 6.03 3.36 Calculated 67.67 6.20 3.59
60	Colorless oily matter	394 ( $M^+$ ) for $C_{22}H_{23}O_3N^+$
62	White solid 236 - 238 ( Water )	Cis form 100% as $C_{20}H_{21}O_3N$ C H N Found 74.01 6.60 4.01 Calculated 74.28 6.55 4.33
64	White solid 250 (Decomposition) ( Water )	Cis form 100% as $C_{19}H_{19}O_3N$ C H N Found 73.57 6.38 4.44 Calculated 73.77 6.19 4.53

## Example 76

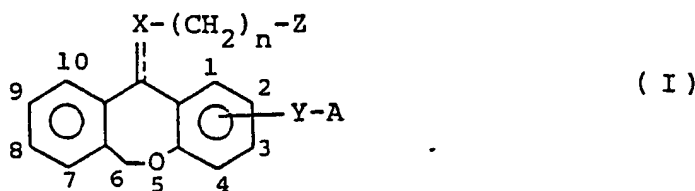
Cis form of monofumarate of Compound 60 (Compound 60') is obtained in the same manner as in Example 49 as a white solid. Melting point: 176 -178°C (Isopropanol)  
Elementary analysis (%): as  $C_{28}H_{27}O_7N$



	C	H	N
Found	67.09	5.97	2.89
Calculated	67.09	5.85	3.01

# Claims

1. A dibenz[b,e]oxepin compound represented by the formula (I)



wherein

A represents a hydroxymethyl, a lower alkoxymethyl, a triphenylmethyloxymethyl, a lower alkanoyloxymethyl, a lower alkanoyl, a carboxy, a lower alkoxy carbonyl, a triphenylmethyloxycarbonyl, 4,4-dimethyl-2-oxazoline-2-yl group, -CONHOH or -CONR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>2</sub> wherein R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are the same or different and represent hydrogen atom or lower alkyl;

Y represents -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-, -CHR<sub>3</sub>-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- or -CR<sub>4</sub>=CR<sub>5</sub>-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- wherein R<sub>3</sub> represents a lower alkyl, R<sub>4</sub> and R<sub>5</sub> are the same or different and represent a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl, and m is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4, which is the substituent at 2-or 3-position of the mother nucleus and the left side of the group Y is bound to benzen nucleus;

X represents = N-, = CH- or -CH<sub>2</sub>-;

n is 0, 1, 2, 3 or 4;

Z represents 4-methylpiperazino, 4-methylhomopiperazino, piperidino, pyrrolidino, thiomorpholino, morpholino or -NR<sub>6</sub>R<sub>7</sub> wherein R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are the same or different and represent hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl;

and  $\text{---}=\text{---}$  means single bond or double bond;

and the pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

2. A compound according to claim 1, wherein said salt is selected from acid addition salt, metal salt, ammonium salt, organic amine addition salt, and amino acid addition salt.

3. A compound according to claim 1, wherein A is a member selected from the group consisting of hydroxymethyl, lower alkoxy carbonyl, -CONR<sub>1</sub>R<sub>2</sub> and carboxyl; Y is bound at 2-position of the mother nucleus; X is a member selected from the group consisting of = N- and = CH-; n is 1 or 2; and Z is a member selected from the group consisting of dimethylamino, diethylamino, methylamino, amino, morpholino and thiomorpholino.

4. A compound according to claim 3, wherein Y is a member selected from the group consisting of -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-,  $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)$ -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>- and CH = CH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub>-; and m is 0, 1 or 2.

5. A compound according to claim 4, wherein A is a member selected from the group consisting of hydroxymethyl and carboxyl; and X is = CH-.

6. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is a member selected from the group consisting of carboxyl, carboxymethyl, 2-carboxyethyl, 2-hydroxyethyl and 2-carboxyethenyl X is = CH-, n is 2 and Z is a member selected from the group consisting of dimethylamino, diethylamino, methylamino, amino, morpholino and thiomorpholino.

7. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, X is = CH-, n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.

8. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, X is = CH-, n is 2 and Z is diethylamino.

9. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-CH<sub>2</sub>COOH, X is = CH-, n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.

10. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COOH, X is =CH-, n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.
11. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH, X is =CH-, n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.
- 5 12. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-CH<sub>2</sub>COOH, X is =N-, n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.
13. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, X is =CH-, n is 2 and Z is morpholino.
14. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, X is =CH-, n is 2 and Z is thiomorpholino.
- 10 15. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-CH = CHCOOH, X is =CH-, n is 2 and Z is dimethylamino.
16. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, X is =CH-, n is 2 and Z is methylamino.
17. A compound according to claim 1, wherein -Y-A is 2-COOH, X is =CH-, n is 2 and Z is amino.
18. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutical carrier and as an active ingredient, an effective amount of a dibenz[b,e]oxepin compound defined in claim 1.
- 15 19. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 18, wherein said compound is defined in claim 6.

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⑤ Dibenz [b,e] oxepin derivative and antiallergic and antiinflammatory agent.

⑤ Novel dibenz[b,e]oxepin derivatives are employed in the treatment and control of allergic conditions such as allergic asthma and also employed in the treatment of inflammation.



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